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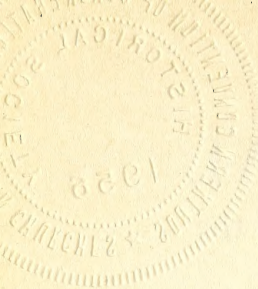
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Proceedings of the Third Session of the Southeast Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches.

THE UNITED CHURCH, RALEIGH, N. C.
APRIL 30-MAY 2, 1935.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention was called to order by Pres. J. H. Lightbourne of Burlington, N. C. Prayer by Rev. C. Rexford Raymond of Southern Pines, N. C.

A partial enrollment showed 60 present from the following states: Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Florida; also the following persons: Dr. E. M. Halliday and Mrs. D. E. Brown of the office of the Home Boards in New York; Dr. A. E. Holt of the Council for Social Action, Chicago; Dr. W. R. Kedzie, Secretary of Educational Institutions, Chicago.

Pres. Lightbourne appointed the following committees:

Organization—Dr. E. C. Gillette, Supt. Milo J. Sweet, Supt. F. P. Ensminger, Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Rev. F. C. Lester, Rev. A. W. Hurst.

Press—Dr. J. E. Kirby, Rev. M. J. Sweet, Rev. R. Lee House, Rev. Geo. N. Edwards.

Nominations—Drs. S. C. Harrell, C. Rexford Raymond, Rev. Ross Ensminger, and M. J. W. White.

The president made some introductory remarks, mentioning his joint personal inheritance from both of the now united denominations. He remarked on the prevalence of urban churches among the Congregationalists, found and multiplying in many of the larger cities; while the Christian Churches were nearly all to be found in the country, they seemingly having a marked reluctance to leave the rural regions. He said that the Southern Convention had been an autonomous body, chiefly related to the General Christian Convention by sharing in its foreign missionary work. He suggested a Southeastern Regional Committee, representing the various State Conferences and the Southern Convention, to meet biennially in conjunction with this body to consider matters of common concern apart from the inspirational program of the convention.

The president introduced Rev. J. E. Kirby, pastor of the entertaining church who brought words of welcome. Dr. Kirby referred to his joint inheritance, having first been a member of the Christian Church, later joining the Congregationalists. He also mentioned the peculiar structure of the United Church of Raleigh, which includes

in its membership not only Congregationalists and Christians, but quite a few Friends and more lately a number of Southern Methodists.

The service of worship was conducted by Dr. John G. Truitt, who spoke from the double text: "Rise up and follow me," and "We have left all and followed thee, what shall we have?"

An address was given by Dr. E. M. Halliday, General Secretary of the Home Boards on the subject, "Christianity and the Churches." In the course of his remarks, he showed how the growth of the early church had proved the gospel to be too big for the Jewish nation, and broad enough for the human race. He spoke of how churches were formed where ever they were needed, in homes, in the open places, by the riverside—any center where believers centered might become a church center. We are following, said he, the age of an adventuring church. It followed the frontier of our country. Some succeeded, some did not. We have to learn the same lesson that the railroads had to learn. They have given up hundreds of miles of lines since 1920, because of changing conditions rendering this mileage unprofitable. The speaker told of the "Master List" movement—a plan in which Northern Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians, the Reformed Church, Disciples, and our own united organization, are to cooperate. Each is to present a full list of all aided churches for joint investigation, that there may be no unnecessary appropriation of home mission funds to competitive churches. He also sketched the ever widening circle in which we cooperate as we carry the Gospel from our own neighborhoods into the widest reaches of humanity.

After the conclusion of Dr. Halliday's address, the convention adjourned until time for the Fellowship Supper, at which Rev. C. A. Lincoln of Daytona Beach, Florida, presided as toastmaster, and called upon representatives of the various States for brief responses.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Music was furnished by the choir of the United Church. There were two speakers: Rev. Geo. W. Shepherd, American Board missionary from Kuling, China, gave a remarkable resume of the recent history of China, and Dr. H. Shelton Smith of the Department of Religious Education, Duke University, gave a searching study of our present-day Christianity under the title, "A Divided Church in a Divided World."

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

This session opened with a very interesting address, not on the program, by Rev. Paul E. Nilson, American Board missionary from Kaiseri, Turkey, in which he gave an account of the numerous and

radical changes made by the present Turkish government, in the life of the people, and also the changed position of our mission, which is the only Protestant mission in that country.

The next speaker was Dr. S. Parks Cadman of New York, who spoke on the "Minister's Message for Today." He referred to the modern idolatry of nationalism which demands a new emphasis by the church on the sovereignty of God. We must revise our timeworn theology, thinks Dr. Cadman, especially its low estimate of human nature. The real battle is no longer over Biblical or denominational questions but over the very existence of God. The minister's appeal must be to the universal conscience. He must use the power of his imagination, he must be able to give testimony to the great inner experience, he must know the Bible as a message of redemption, and his service must be a soul service, his people feeling the impact of an inspired personality. Denunciation in the pulpit relieves the preacher, but it does not relieve the situation. Many questions were asked the speaker at the close of the address.

On account of the illness of both Dr. John Britton Clark and Dr. J. O. Atkinson, their respective places were taken by Rev. John R. Chapman of Asheville, N. C., who gave an address on "Fellowship in Communion," and Rev. H. S. Hardcastle of Norfolk, Va., who conducted the communion service.

The convention then adjourned for luncheon.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The session opened with an address by Dr. Edwin C. Gillette, on "Christianity in Our Denominational Program." Dr. Gillette showed, at some length, by chart the organization of the united denomination, from the local churches to the General Council, then working out from the Council into the several Boards and Commissions which do the work of the denomination. He illustrated by the work of the churches of Florida and their relation with Rollins College at Winter Park, which recently celebrated its fiftieth anniversary.

Dr. W. R. Kedzie of Chicago, spoke on "Our Educational Institutions." He gave a rapid outline of the Congregational societies which, beginning in 1815, have successively worked out plans for the founding and supporting of both seminaries and colleges. Including institutions of the former Christian Church, these now number 42. Direct aid was first given to educational institutions in 1843, and it was stipulated that these institutions should be free from both state and ecclesiastical control and should be managed by self-perpetuating boards of trustees. He reviewed briefly our present schools and colleges of the South.

The last address of the afternoon was by Rev. E. C. Lawrence, the pastor of the Colored Congregational Church of Raleigh. He spoke concerning the union between the Negro Christians and Congregationalists of North Carolina. He indicated that this had been much delayed, but that recently a meeting had been held at which there had been an agreement for a united body.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The evening session was opened with special music furnished by Meredith College.

The address of the evening was by Dr. Cadman, who spoke on the subject, "Christianity in a Changing World." The church auditorium was crowded and the eloquence of the speaker was superb. He showed the conflict now on between paganism and Christianity in various parts of the world. The lines are drawn between the denier of God and the believer in God. Protestants and Catholics are together on the defensive. Judaism is a staunch defender of the unity and reality of God. Nationalism tends to atheism, he said. He dealt vigorously with the menace of war to Christianity and to civilization itself. He also referred to the complete failure of the repeal of Prohibition to accomplish what its advocates claimed for it.

Dr. Cadman said: "Our generation errs in claiming too much for the State." He said that Russia denies freedom to man. She declares that he must bow down to Caesar and render to Caesar the things that belong to the Almighty. He caution the American people against repeating the follies of the Romans who made their emperors divine. Every great people has a mission, he declared, and it is for us to discern the mission God intends for us.

Dr. Cadman stopped midway in his address for the offering. In this interval, Hon. Josephus Daniels, ambassador to Mexico, was invited to the platform and was greeted by the speaker, who then continued his address.

At the close of Dr. Cadman's address, he introduced Dr. Daniels, who made a brief impromptu speech.

The offering for the evening was \$63.00; the total offerings for the convention amounted to \$106.00.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Rev. A. D. Beittel, pastor of Collegese Church, Nashville, Tenn., spoke on "Christianity and Social Justice." He brought out the strong stand for social justice taken by the Old Testament prophets, especially Amos and Micha. He said that the early Christian movement

was passionately social. It was forming a new society. This dynamic drive diminished as the church grew wealthy and received official recognition, and gradually the church lost its social vision. He compared the wealth seen in a 20th century church and the desperately poor not far away, with the conditions condemned by Amos in the 8th century before the Christian era.

Dr. Arthur E. Holt was the second speaker, and his subject was, "Christianity in Action." He spoke of the new Council of Social Action created by the General Council at Oberlin, and given 2.7% of the general budget. It is concerned with the application of religion to the society in which we live. It is its business to get the facts and to criticise all types of social order. The members of this group believe that the social content of Christianity is a very real part of it. They are seeking at least 50,000 associates in our churches.

Dr. Holt said that the want and unemployment of the depression were demoralizing character; he stated that in many instances the American tenant farmer was in a worse plight than the peasants of Europe; that it was the American tradition for religion to be concerned about state and nation; and that we must now meet the social issues on our horizon.

Following Prof. Holt's address, questions were asked by Helfenstein, Lincoln, Raymond, Kernodle and others.

The closing period of worship followed the discussion, and was conducted by Dr. S. C. Harrell.

The Convention adjourned for lunch.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The afternoon session opened with a thoughtful paper on "Evangelism for Today," by Dr. Roy C. Helfenstein, the pastor of People's Church, Dover, Delaware. The speaker dealt suggestively with educational evangelism, personal evangelism, and the evangelism of the religious drama. He spoke of special plays presented in church which led to conversions. He said that the present offered greater opportunities for growth by true evangelism than did the past, that humanity's need of Christ is ever the same.

Discussion followed; Messrs. Dollar, Deerlamm, Edwards and others taking part.

In a business session the report of the Organization Committee was made by Dr. E. C. Gillette, recommending that Article V. of the Constitution be amended to reduce the program committee from five to three. This amendment was moved and carried.

Dr. Gillette read the recent resolutions on Social Action adopted by the Florida Congregational Conference, remarking that they were

written by Rev. C. A. Lincoln. These resolutions were received as information.

The Organization Committee further recommended that Art. V., Clause 1, of the Constitution, be amended to read instead of "Board of Directors," "Advisory Committee," and that the various State Conferences and the Southern Convention be asked to appoint one or more members to this Advisory Committee. This was voted. The recommendation that said members' expenses to the Convention be paid was left with the several conferences. It was voted that the word "annually" be left out of Article VI., and that the meetings be held biennially.

The secretary suggested that the meetings should be held hereafter in different parts of the territory, so as to enlist the interest and make possible the attendance of large parts of our constituency that have not yet been reached. An invitation to the next convention to meet in Richmond, Va., was extended by J. T. Kernodle. It was decided, however, that the place of meeting be left to the Executive Committee.

At this point Dr. E. C. Gillette introduced the following resolutions which were very heartily adopted:

RESOLUTIONS.

That the Secretary be instructed to send from this meeting a telegram to Mrs. A. W. Sparks, expressing our love and deep sympathy upon the death of her beloved husband and our dear friend.

That the Secretary be instructed to write to Drs. Atkinson, Rowland and Clark, expressing our regret at their enforced absence from this meeting, and our love and best wishes for the early recovery of their health.

That the hearty appreciation of this Convention be extended to the pastor and people of the United Church of Raleigh for their generous hospitality and their unflinching attention to all those things which make for the comfort and convenience of such a gathering. Especially do we thank the ladies of the church for the delightful meals which they have served us, and also we thank those who have furnished the beautiful music and flowers for the Convention.

That we express our deep appreciation of the messages of those who have come to us from out of the territory of the Convention: Dr. S. Parks Cadman, Dr. E. M. Halliday, Dr. Roy C. Helfenstein, Dr. A. E. Holt, Dr. Paul E. Nilson, Dr. Geo. W. Shepherd, Dr. W. R. Kedzie, Dr. D. A. Poling, and Miss Lucy Eldredge. Their messages have been informing and inspiring, and we are grateful.

The Committee on Nominations made the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

For President, Rev. C. A. Lincoln of Florida; for Vice-President, Rev. J. G. Truitt of Virginia; for Secretary-Treasurer, Rev. G. N. Edwards of South Carolina. Rev. J. H. Dollar of Georgia and Mr. A. R. Rucks of Tennessee, with the above officers to constitute the Executive Committee.

For Program Committee: Rev. C. A. Lincoln, Rev. J. H. Lightbourne, and the pastor of the entertaining church.

Respectfully submitted,

S. C. HARRELL, *Chairman.*

It was moved and carried that the Secretary cast one ballot for the entire list. This was done, and the nominees declared elected.

At the request of Pres. Lightbourne, prayer was offered for the family of Rev. A. W. Sparks, and for Drs. Clark, Atkinson and Rowland by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle.

Then followed an address on "Christian Youth Today," by Miss Lucy M. Eldredge of Dayton, Ohio, Secretary of Young People's Work. She spoke of them as the product of our homes, our churches, and our schools, eagerly seeking the individual, the message, or the institution, that appeals to them as vital. She said that there were 188,000 Christian youth in our Congregational-Christian Churches. There is a National Council of Youth and forty summer conferences. "Christian Youth Building a New World" is the central theme about which many denominations are building their programs of study and activity.

It was stated that the past year had brought forth, in our own denomination, the Pilgrim Fellowship, a clearinghouse for our young people's societies. In this way the question, "What does Christian youth stand for?" is being answered in a comprehensive manner. The youth of today are saying, "Give us a more adequate interpretation of the Christian religion, and we will truly share in the building of a truly Christian world."

Coincident with the afternoon program, the youth who had gathered at the Convention, held, in another room, a meeting of their own. This meeting was under the leadership of Rev. F. C. Lester, Chairman of the Board of Christian Education of the Southern Convention, and addresses were delivered by Dr. R. C. Helfenstein and Miss Lucy Eldredge. A business session was held and officers for a Youth Fellowship of the Southeast Convention were elected. A Youth Banquet was held in the evening, at which Dr. D. A. Poling and others gave brief addresses.

THIRD DAY—EVENING SESSION.

At the united evening session, the last of the Convention, the *a capella* choir of Elon College, directed by Prof. Arthur Steere, sang several numbers with fine harmony and expression.

There was an impressive ceremony of installation of the officers of the Youth Fellowship, prayer being offered by Pres. Lightbourne.

The closing address was made by Dr. Daniel A. Poling of New York, Editor of the Christian Herald, and his subject was "Christianity Moves Forward." He related the widespread preparations for war going on in Europe as he had seen them in many countries. He said that \$1,800,000,000 was being spent this year and that 9,000,000 men were under arms. "I am for peace," said a great Hungarian leader, "but there is no peace." "France has no will for war," says

one, "but she doesn't know what the others will do." War is inevitable, thinks Dr. Poling, unless France, Great Britain and the United States will stand the cost of peace. He quoted a French communist as saying, "Jesus has the only solution for the world's problems." There is only one way out. The youth of many lands are swept off their feet by allegiance to a great political personality. The only program that transcends allegiance to the personality of a dictator is allegiance to the supreme personality of Jesus. The youth of the world are being challenged to live dangerously for Him. The church of the new day must be the church on the march.

A crowded audience filled the church on the closing evening. The registration book showed slightly more than 200 registered from the Southeast, and fourteen, including speakers, from outside that area.

JAMES H. LIGHTBOURNE, *President*,
Burlington, N. C.

GEORGE N. EDWARDS, *Secretary*,
Charleston, S. C.

Proceedings of Eighty-Seventh Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Congre- gational-Christian Conference.

LEAKSVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH, AUGUST 7-8, 1935.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Eighty-Seventh Session of the Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference met, and was called to order at 10 o'clock by the President, Rev. R. L. Williamson.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. R. L. Williamson.

J. C. Bradford was elected temporary Vice President.

ENROLLMENT.

Ordained Ministers—A. W. Andes, R. L. Williamson, Ivan R. Smith.

Licentiates—Wm. J. Andes.

Chairmen of Standing Committees—A. W. Andes, R. O. Rothgeb, W. C. Wampler, Wm. J. Andes, Irene Hensley, Alfred Dofflemyre, R. A. Larrick, Mrs. Ivan R. Smith.

Conference Officers—R. L. Williamson, A. W. Andes, J. Warner Stearn, Samuel Earman, K. B. Hook, R. O. Rothgeb, Minnie Dofflemyre.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—Floyd Showalter, T. L. Deavers.

Bethel—Nannie Monger, Elsie Alger.

Bethlehem—Mamie Summers, H. G. Brown, Pauline Brown.

Beulah—Not represented.

Christian Chapel—Not represented.

Concord—Not represented.

Dry Run—Alma Boyce, Elma Rinker.

East Liberty—Not represented.

High Point—Not represented.

Island Ford—Not represented.

Joppa—Myrtie Bowman, Mary Duncan.

Leaksville—Pearl Painter, H. D. Eppard, Marie Jenkins.

Linville—J. A. Taylor, Roy Hosaflook, Ora Scott, Mrs. J. W. Stearn.

Mayland—E. A. Hillyard, Russell Schaurer, Delia Spitzer.

Mt. Lebanon—Allene Kite, I. N. Comer.

Mt. Olivet (G)—Norman Morris, Eugenia Snow, Winona Morris, Thelma Morris.

Mt. Olivet (R)—Sallie Life, Irene Hensley, Laura Lam.

New Hope—Not represented.

Newport—Mabel Higgs, Julia Fultz.

Palmyra—Not represented.

St. Peter's—Rita Snyder, Cora Fultz.

Timber Mt.—Not represented.

Timber Ridge—M. C. Garvin, Mrs. Myrle Eaton.

Whistler's Chapel—A. N. Green, R. L. Ettel.

Winchester—Mrs. K. H. Sale, Wilson Spaid, E. W. Cather, Mrs. E. W. Cather.

Woods' Chapel—J. A. Kagey, Dora Kipps.

Welcome address by R. O. Rothgeb.

Response by R. Roy Hosaflook.

REPORT OF PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee, have arranged program for this session of Conference and have had 200 copies mimeographed at a cost of \$1.75.

A. W. ANDES,

R. L. WILLIAMSON,

Committee.

Adopted with the proviso that the President be empowered to make such changes as may be necessary at any time.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, your Executive Committee report that at a joint meeting of the Home Missions Committee and the Executive Committee held October 8, 1934, we recommend that conference take steps toward selling the East Liberty Church property.

We voted to appropriate \$45 from the Home Mission fund to each of the following nine churches: Beulah, Whistler's Chapel, Palmyra, Woods' Chapel, Concord, Island Ford, Mt. Lebanon, St. Peter's, and Joppa—same to be paid in quarterly installments in October, January, April and July, and on condition that these churches be given regular services, and by pastors approved by the Executive and Home Mission Committees.

We voted to hold the mid-year session at Bethlehem the last Thursday in March.

A. W. ANDES,

R. ROY HOSAFLOOK,

SAMUEL EARMAN,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF STEWARDSHIP SECRETARY.

Our Lord teaches that every Christian should be a "faithful and wise Steward." Some day He will return to say, "Give an account of thy stewardship." What a responsibility to use our time and talent and money for him while he tarries, or else 'be ashamed before him at his coming."

No doubt it is easy for us to use what he has put in our hands to gratify our wants in worldly things and laying up treasures on earth, but He says, "Lay not up treasures on earth but lay up treasures in Heaven where neither moth nor rust will corrupt them."

Since stewardship occupies such a large place in the Bible, since faithful stewards were praised by our Lord and unfaithful ones could, by our Lord's own words, be no longer stewards, we therefore recommend that we keep on teaching and preaching in Sunday School, Mission Groups, Christian Endeavor, and the church as a whole.

MINNIE DOFFLEMYRE,

Stewardship Secretary.

Adopted.

Appointment of Special Committees:

Press—Mrs. B. F. Frank, M. C. Garvin, Dewey Dofflemyre, G. W. Rothgeb, Thelma Morris, J. T. Kernodle.

Finance—J. C. Bradford, J. A. Kagey, J. A. Taylor.

Place—Winona Morris, Arthur Spaid, Mrs. E. Lena Rothgeb.

Resolutions—Mrs. K. H. Sale, Eugenia Snow, Ella Pickering, Mamie Summers.

The following were elected on the Nominating Committee:

Kenneth Hook, Alfred Dofflemyre, J. C. Bradford, R. L. Ettel, J. M. Lohr.

Moved and carried that the action of the Executive Committee relative to the selling of the East Liberty church property be reconsidered, and that the Executive Committee be asked to make further investigation, and report to Conference.

On motion, Rev. R. L. Williamson was asked to deliver the annual address at this session.

Brother Williamson responded and gave a splendid address.

On motion, the following were invited to seats as deliberative members: Rev. J. E. McCauley, pastor of First Christian Church, Richmond, Va., and Mrs. McCauley, J. T. Kernodle, Managing Editor of THE CHRISTIAN SUN, Dean A. L. Hook and wife of Elon College, Dr. Stanley C. Harrell, President of the Southern Christian Convention, C. D. Johnston, Superintendent of the Christian Orphanage, Rev. G. D. Kiracofe.

Adjourned for dinner.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:30 by the President. Devotional services conducted by Rev. J. E. McCauley.

Moved that the new budget system as suggested by the last session of the S. C. C. be adopted. Motion tabled until tomorrow morning.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

The greatest Book of all times is the Bible, and we should give it first consideration. All Scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness. The pianist must have his piano, the violinist a violin, the sculptor the hammer and chisel, the painter the canvas, paints, and pallet, and the church worker must have his books, magazines, and many other materials in order to express his own soul and build a Christian World. Think this over and don't be stingy in the use of tools. We read the newspapers, and much published in them is not fit to be read; why not read religious magazines that are pure and wholesome?

To know and understand our God and His handiwork better, we recommend:

1. That we read and study the Bible more.

2. That we give THE CHRISTIAN SUN our whole-hearted support.

3. That the pastor of each church send the news from his church, or see that it is sent to the SUN for publication.

IRENE HENSLEY,
ORA SCOTT,
J. A. KAGEY,

Adopted.

Committee.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE MISSION SECRETARY.

We are glad to report a slight gain over last year's financial report for missions. The amount contributed last Conference year from August 1, 1933, to August 1, 1934, was as follows: Contributed by Sunday schools, \$256.60, by churches, \$180.41, making a total of \$437.01.

Contributed this Conference year from August 1, 1934, to August 1, 1935, by Sunday schools, \$324.47, by churches, \$116.14, making a total of \$440.16.

The offerings from the churches this conference year were \$64.27 less than last year, while the offerings from the Sunday schools were \$67.87 more than last year, which gives us the slight increase of \$3.60 over last year.

Had the churches contributed even as much as last year, we would have had a gain of \$132.14.

We have nothing better to recommend to remedy the situation, than obedience to our Lord's command regarding missions. When we are willing to do this, our reports will be very different.

R. O. ROTHGEB,
Conference Mission Secy.

Adopted.

C. D. Johnston, Superintendent of the Christian Orphanage, made an address on "The Needs and Possibilities of the Orphanage."

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

Are we putting forth an earnest effort for the spread of the Gospel of Christ? This question should be asked in every church and of every church member. Evangelism should be one of the supreme motives and goals of the church. In order to grow in numbers we must evangelize. In order to carry out the commandment of Jesus Christ, who tells us to go into the whole world and "preach the gospel to every creature," we must evangelize. A church is sure to die unless it puts forth an earnest effort for the spread of the Gospel of Christ.

We, therefore, would recommend the following:

1. That, though the results of our efforts have been small this past year, we praise God for the souls that have been won to his cause.

2. That each church devise a plan or a program whereby a greater effort may be put forth for the spreading of the Gospel of Christ. Not only during a certain part of the year—such as a revival—should this plan be in operation but throughout the whole year.

3. That each pastor put forth every effort possible to arouse in his church members the duty and responsibility which each has. Too many members think that all they have to do is rest easy since they have their names on the church roll. They must not stop with that, they must win others for Christ.

WM. J. ANDES,
A. A. DOFFLEMYRE,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S BOARD.

The Women's Missionary Conference met at Concord Church, July 25, 1935. The following churches were represented: Antioch, Bethel, Bethlehem, Concord, Dry Run, Leaksville, Linville, Mayland, Newport, Mt. Olivet (R) and Winchester. The pastors were nearly all there.

There are eight Women's Societies, one Young People's, two Junior and three Cradle Rolls, with a total enrollment of about 275.

We had one of the best Annual Conferences this year yet. We had splendid addresses by Mr. G. W. Rothgeb and Rev. Ivan R. Smith. Dr. M. L. Weekley preached a great missionary sermon.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amt. in treasury, July 11, '34.	\$ 1.76	<i>Young People.</i>	
Conference offering	7.00	Antioch	\$ 16.77
<i>Women's Societies.</i>		<i>Juniors.</i>	
Bethel	21.08	Linville	8.89
Dry Run	16.25	Mt. Olivet (R.)	1.00
Leaksville	50.31	<i>Cradle Rolls.</i>	
Linville	76.61	Leaksville	.15
Mt. Olivet (R.)	3.00	Linville	5.75
New Hope	8.50	Special Gift	20.00
Newport	14.67		
Winchester	73.34	Total	\$325.08

The Literature Superintendent reported a number of homes taking THE CHRISTIAN SUN and MISSIONARY HERALD, and that a number of mission books had been read.

The Committee on Resolutions recommended that the women of our conference redouble their efforts in organizing and maintaining societies in our churches. Each society was urged to have a representative placed on the mailing list of the Commission on Missions.

The churches reporting on goals are as follows: Antioch, 85 per cent; Bethel, 90 per cent; Dry Run, 70 per cent; Leaksville, 85 per cent; Linville (W) 85 per cent; Linville (Jr.), 70 per cent; New Hope, 30 per cent; Newport, 70 per cent; Winchester, 90 per cent.

It was unanimously decided to hold the District Rallies next year.

The following officers are submitted for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. K. H. Sale; Vice President, Mrs. A. W. Andes; Secretary, Mrs. B. F. Frank; Treasurer, Miss Verdie Showalter; Cradle Roll Superintendent, Mrs. E. Lena Rothgeb; Women's Superintendent, Miss Ora Scott; Young People's Superintendent, Miss Helen Showalter; Literature Superintendent, Miss Minnie Dofflemyre; Spiritual Life Superintendent, Mrs. A. F. Kite.

MRS. B. F. FRANK,
Committee.

Adopted.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY—NIGHT SESSION.

A short session of the Youth Fellowship was held, beginning at 7:30.

The Conference session proper was called to order by the President at 8 P. M.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

During the past year, your director has had very little time to devote to the work of the Church. He has, however, used his influence in getting ten young people of our Conference to attend the Elon Training School. Those attending this school were: Misses Anna Lou, Norma and Helen Showalter, and Messrs. William and Roy Andes of the Antioch Church; Miss Minnie Dofflemyre of the Bethel Church; and Misses Elia Pugh, Esta Jackson, and Jeanne Miller, and Mr. Arthur Spaid of Winchester. This group made up quite a nice delegation from our Conference, and it is hoped that even more of our young people can go next year.

The director of religious education made an attempt to get some Daily Vacation Church Schools started in our Conference this summer. Due to the interest shown by some of the Bethel congregation a very good two weeks' school was held there. Miss Joy Grigsby, a Student Summer Service Worker,

sent out by the Congregational Board, directed the work of this school. She was very ably assisted in her work by a number of young people from our own conference. It is probable that schools would have been held at several other places had it not been for the infantile paralysis scare. We hope that several Daily Vacation Church Schools will be held in our conference next year.

May we urge once more that the pastors and churches use your director and his assistants. They stand ready and willing to serve you, but they don't feel like pushing their services upon you unless you let them know they are wanted. Let them know your needs and they will do their best to serve you.

Respectfully submitted,

Adopted.

K. B. Hook.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor, report the following:

That we express our appreciation for the work that is being done by the faithful members of our Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies, and that this Conference assembled in annual session, by the adoption of this report, requests all of the members of our churches, Sunday schools and Christian Endeavor Societies to encourage our leaders, and when possible to aid and assist them in their work.

That we urge our Sunday School and Christian Endeavor workers to do better work this coming year, and that they try to render the best service possible for the advancement of our Churches, Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies in the way our Christ would have us do it.

R. A. LARRICK,
MRS. B. F. FRANK,
K. B. HOOK,
ANNA LOU SHOWALTER,
Committee.

Adopted.

An address was given by Dr. S. C. Harrell, President of the S. C. C., using as his subject, "The Limitations of Christian Education."

Adjourned.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:30 by the President. Devotional services conducted by Rev. Ivan R. Smith.

Roll called. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

The matter tabled yesterday relative to the adoption of the budget system adopted by the last session of the S. C. C. was taken from the table, and discussed, and lost.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Doing good to others, helping them to know better and to live more and obey Jesus Christ, making it easier for others to do the will of God, is missions. "Not every one that saith unto me, 'Lord, Lord, shall enter into the Kingdom of Heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.'"—Matt. 7:21.

When Jesus told his disciples, as recorded in Acts 1:8, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth," he charged them with a responsibility, which also applies to us if we are his disciples.

There are three avenues for discharging that responsibility: First: We may witness unto Him by living such a life of consecration and obedience to his will that those whom we contact may see and know him, whom to know aright is eternal life. Second: By our own personal testimony and confession. "He that is not ashamed to confess me before men, him will I confess before my father which is in heaven." Third: Since it is impossible for all to witness for Him in these ways personally in other lands, we can give of the means he has entrusted us with that those who will and can go and witness for Him there may go, and thus we have foreign missions. If more emphasis was placed on regeneration and the new birth by pastors and church leaders there would probably be less need for begging for the foreign field. While we are giving for the foreign field we must not overlook the fact, as one of our great leaders has said, "That America is the greatest missionary field in the world." The largest contribution an individual can make for missions is a consecrated and obedient life.

We recommend:

1. That a greater effort be made by preachers and church leaders to give vision—clearer, closer, more trustworthy, vision of human life and of God—the vision out of which love comes, the love out of which service comes, the vision, the love, and the service out of which Christian character comes, which is the great end of the Church.

2. That we approve the penny-a-meal plan recommended by the last session of the Southern Convention.

3. That a system of giving more systematically to missions be adopted by all churches. It is not how much is given but how many give.

4. That especial emphasis be placed on the Easter offering for missions.

5. That every Sunday school make monthly offerings to missions, putting on a missionary program the day the offering is taken.

6. That an active working missionary society, with a cradle roll, be organized in each church with programs made up from the study of the missionary field and our missionaries, as gathered from the reading of the Missionary Herald, with the facts relative to the same constantly kept before the membership of the church.

W. C. WAMPLER,
THELMA MORRIS,
E. A. HILLYARD,
E. LENA ROTHGEB,

Committee.

An address on foreign missions was given by Dr. S. C. Harrell.
Report adopted.

The following were elected members of the Nominating Committee: R. L. Ettel, J. C. Bradford, J. M. Lohr to serve with the two appointed by the President.

An offering was taken for the orphanage, amounting to \$15.98.

Conference adjourned to meet in the capacity of the Conference Missionary Association at once.

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CONFERENCE MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

The Conference Missionary Association was called to order by the President, Wm. J. Andes. The roll was called. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

An explanation of the Association was given by Rev. A. W. Andes, and a call made for new members. Three new members were added.

TREASURERS REPORT.

The following membership fees have been received: A. W. Andes, \$5; Wm. J. Andes, \$5; Barbara Andes, \$2.50; Mrs. J. J. Lincoln, \$5; S. S. and C. E. Conv., \$10; Minnie Dofflemyre, \$2.50; Olive Showalter, \$2.50; Verdie Showalter, \$2.50; Antioch, \$5; Mary Pickering, \$5; Bethlehem, \$5; Ladies' Bible Class, Antioch, \$2.50; Linville, \$5; Roy Hosaflook, \$5; Mrs. Roy Hosaflook, \$2.50; Minnie Showalter, \$2.50; Mary E. Henton, \$2.50; L. H. Hook, \$5;; Win One Class, Winchester, \$5; Samuel Earman, \$5; Ladies' Bible Class, Linville, \$2.50; Womens Missionary Society, Linville, \$2.50; Total, \$90.

MINNIE DOFFLEMYRE, *Treas.*

On motion the Treasurer was authorized to turn over the money in hand to the Conference Treasurer for the Home Mission Fund.

Moved and carried to retain the same officers for the ensuing year.

On motion, the Association adjourned.

WM. J. ANDES, *President*,

MINNIE DOFFLEMYRE, *Sec.-Treas.*

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:45 by President.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Education is the enlargement of the whole personality in terms of power. But evidences are multiplying all about us to show that power may be a very bad thing as well as a good thing. The age-old problem of how to make power function in terms of goodness and service is more acute and baffling today than ever. The increasing complexity of social relations makes power a more destructive force than ever if wrongly used. The best of us have not sense and grace enough to use creatively the little power we already have, and we are appalled to think what we would do with it if we had as much as we sometimes pray for. There is only one way to harness power to education creatively or in the interest of constructive service, and that is to capture the life by a great spiritual vision, and fill it with a great spiritual passion. When our little human lives are caught in the mighty Gulf Stream of God's life, then other lives are going to be irrigated and made fruitful by ours.

Modern education has run largely to technique and has failed to inspire and master the life by great spiritual values. Ample scholarship and facility in the technique of imparting knowledge are by no means to be despised, but there must be superadded the contagion of a great dynamic personality to set the pupil-soul on fire with the eternal spiritual values. It still takes a distinctively Christian College dominated by distinctively Christian ideals and reinforced by distinctively Christian teachers to give us even tolerable results.

We endorse the work done by Elon College, and commend the college to our young people who are seeking a college education. We fear our people do not appreciate our own institution as they should. Our information is to the effect that there are more students there from some other churches than there are from our own. We are glad that others appreciate our college and patronize it, but feel that our own people should show more appreciation.

Bro. Wm. J. Andes, a licentiate, has appeared before us and asked for ordination. We recommend that he be ordained at this session.

M. L. WEEKLEY,

A. W. ANDES,

R. L. WILLIAMSON,

Committee.

In compliance with the last recommendation of the report, Wm. J. Andes was duly ordained to the gospel ministry. The ordaining presbytery was composed of Revs. R. L. Williamson, Stanley C. Harrell, Ivan R. Smith, and A. W. Andes. Williamson was chairman, Smith offered the prayer, Harrell delivered the charge, and Andes presented the Bible.

An address was delivered by Dean A. L. Hook on the subject of Education.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

HOME MISSIONS.

Cash on hand	\$ 437.42
Conference collections	298.99
Conference Missionary Association	90.00

Total amount received	\$ 826.41
Paid B. J. Earp	\$ 45.00
Paid A. W. Andes	180.00
Paid M. L. Weekley	45.00
Paid R. L. Williamson	52.50
Total amount paid	\$ 322.50

Balance on hand	\$ 503.91
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CHURCH EXTENSION.

Cash on hand	\$ 36.88
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CONFERENCE FUND.

Cash on hand	\$ 155.48
Conference collections	149.49
Received on ANNUALS	13.75

Total amount received	\$ 318.72
Paid A. W. Andes, service as secretary	\$ 20.00
Paid A. W. Andes, programs	4.00
Paid Central Publishing Company for ANNUALS	61.15
Paid Samuel Earman, service as treasurer	15.00
Paid Burke and Price for bond	5.00
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Total amount paid	\$ 105.53

Balance on hand	\$ 213.19
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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION.

Cash on hand	\$ 406.55
Conference collections	382.04

Total amount received	\$ 788.59
Paid W. C. Wicker, Treas. S. C.	406.55

Balance on hand	\$ 382.04
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SAMUEL EARMAN, *Treas.*

By motion, the report was referred to the Finance Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE.

We, your Committee on Social Service, wish to commend our church members for the high standards they have consistently upheld in regard to moral

reform. We feel, however, that there is still room for improvement along many lines. We present the following suggestions for your serious consideration:

1. That our people recognize more fully the environmental agencies affecting modern life, and strive to provide a more wholesome program for the use of leisure time. This may be done in part by: (a) Discouraging excessive attendance at moving pictures; (b) A careful study and selection of movies attended; (c) Support of only the better types of radio programs.

2. Definite teaching in regard to the evils of the present system of alcoholic beverage control and the use of strong drink.

3. A more spiritual emphasis on the true meanings of home life which will in turn decrease our high divorce rate.

4. Strive to build up our community life by supporting only the best Christian men and women for public office, especially in the schools and churches.

5. A more definite reconsecration on the part of all Christians to uphold the principles of Christ's teachings in daily living.

Respectfully submitted,

E. W. CATHER,
MINNIE DOFFLEMYRE,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission work is greatly handicapped because of lack of funds. There are probably several points where effective work could be done if we had the funds to keep a worker in the field, who could devote his entire time to these places, but with our present resources, this is impossible.

We are glad, however to report that Rev. R. L. Williamson is now preaching at Mt. Lebanon, Island Ford, Woods' Chapel, Whistler's Chapel. The above named churches had been without a pastor part of the conference year.

We appeal to the churches that are able to increase their offerings for missions so that more can be accomplished at home and abroad.

R. O. ROTHGEB,
VERDIE SHOWALTER,
R. C. MYERS,
R. ROY HOSAFLOOK,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN UNION.

The prayer on every Christian tongue should be the prayer of Christ. "Neither pray I for these alone but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; that they all may be one; as Thou, Father, are in me, and I in Thee, that they also may be one in us; that the world may believe that Thou hast sent me." Christ realized that there must be a oneness of His followers if the world would believe in Him.

Today that prayer still rings loud and clear. A united Christian effort, we believe, is the only force that will defeat the powers of Satan.

We, therefore, commend every step taken by those who lead and follow, to bring about this union. But we sincerely believe that until we thoroughly examine ourselves, tune our souls in harmony with God; cleanse our homes from every strife; develop peace and love in the local church; then only will we be ready for a wider fellowship with the brethren in Christ.

We, therefore, charge all Christians to rededicate their souls to Christ, build a more complete home, and work for a more unified local church in order that we may manifest one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all.

A. A. DOFFLEMYRE,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We, your Committee on Apportionments, recommend that the following amounts be raised: Home Missions, \$400; Conference Fund, \$200; Southern Christian Convention, \$511. Total, \$1,111.00.

To be raised by the churches as follows: Antioch, \$80; Bethel, \$35; Bethlehem, \$80; Beulah, \$15; Christian Chapel, \$5; Concord, \$30; Dry Run, \$40; East Liberty, \$5; High Point, \$5; Island Ford, \$6; Joppa, \$15; Leaksville, \$125; Linville, \$100; Mayland, \$70; Mt. Lebanon, \$25; Mt. Olivet (G), \$70; Mt. Olivet (R), \$25; New Hope, \$30; Newport, \$75; Palmyra, \$20; St Peter's, \$15; Timber Mt., \$10; Timber Ridge, \$80; Whistler's Chapel, \$25; Winchester, \$100; Woods' Chapel, \$25. Total, \$1,111.00.

W. C. WAMPLER,
IVAN R. SMITH,
NORMAN W. MORRIS,

Committee.

Adopted.

Moved and carried that we buy 150 ANNUALS and sell them at half price.

Moved and carried that we pay the Secretary \$20.00 and the Treasurer \$15.00 for services.

Rev. Wm. J. Andes was elected to deliver the annual address next year.

Rev. Ivan R. Smith was elected as alternate.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE.

We, your Committee on Place of next meeting, have received two invitations. Both were appreciated, but after consideration, we recommend that the Conference for 1936 be held with Antioch Church.

E. LENA ROTHGEB,
ARTHUR SPAID,
WINONA MORRIS,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, wish to submit the following report; We recommend:

1. That this conference express its grateful appreciation of the splendid program prepared by the Program Committee, the great messages brought by the speakers, and the full and faithful reports of the proceedings given in the press.

2. That we express our gratitude for the beautiful spirit of harmony and Christian fellowship prevailing through the entire proceedings of the Conference.

3. That we express our thanks to the pastor and members and friends of the Leaksville Church for their kind and abundant hospitality.

4. To our most capable President we would express our deep appreciation for the kindly and efficient manner in which he has presided over the sessions of our conference; also for the distinctly spiritual note which he sounded in his annual address.

5. That a copy of the Conference Minutes be sent to each church as soon as possible.

6. That the Program Committee give the Youth Fellowship a distinct place on the conference program.

MRS. K. H. SALE,
THELMA MORRIS,
MAMIE SUMMERS,
ELLA PICKERING,

Committee.

Adopted by items.

On motion, the Treasurer was authorized to pay \$1.75 for mimeographing programs.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee, submit the following as officers of the Conference for the ensuing year: for President, R. L. Williamson; Vice President, J. C. Bradford; Secretary, A. W. Andes; Assistant Secretary, Roy Andes; Treasurer, Samuel Earman; Director of Religious Education, K. B. Hook; Assistants, Margaret Richards, Norman Morris; Mission Secretary, R. O. Rothgeb; Stewardship Secretary, Minnie Dofflemyre.

Respectfully submitted,

A. A. DOFFLEMYRE,
R. L. ETTTEL,
K. B. HOOK,
J. C. BRADFORD,
J. M. LOHR,

Committee.

Adopted.

Standing Committees were appointed as follows:

Executive—A. W. Andes, Roy A. Larrick, R. Roy Hosaflook, R. L. Williamson.

Education—A. W. Andes, W. B. Fuller, R. L. Williamson, Ivan R. Smith, M. L. Weekley.

Home Missions—R. O. Rothgeb, Verdie Showalter, R. Roy Hosaflook, R. C. Myers.

Foreign Missions—W. C. Wampler, E. A. Hillyard, Thelma Morris, E. Lena Rothgeb.

Evangelism—Wm. J. Andes, Alfred Dofflemyre, W. B. Fuller, Eugenia Snow.

Religious Literature—Irene Hensley, J. A. Kagey, Ora Scott, Charlotte Hillyard.

Christian Union—Alfred Dofflemyre, Mrs. L. W. Snyder, Eva Bumgardner, J. C. Dean.

Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor—R. A. Larrick, Kenneth Hook, Mrs. B. F. Frank, Anna Lou Showalter.

Social Service—E. W. Cather, David Kite, Minnie Dofflemyre, Dora Life.

Apportionments—W. C. Wampler, W. B. Burke, J. M. Lohr, Norman Morris.

Woman's Board—Mrs. A. W. Andes, Mrs. Fannie May Layman, Mrs. Myrle Eaton.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Finance Committee, report that we have examined the Treasurer's report, and find it correct.

J. C. BRADFORD,
J. A. TAYLOR,
J. A. KAGEY,

Committee.

Adopted.

On motion, conference adjourned to meet at Antioch, Wednesday and Thursday before the second Sunday in August, 1936.

R. L. WILLIAMSON, *President*,
Charlottesville, Va.,

A. W. ANDES, *Secretary*.
Harrisonburg, Va.

Minutes of Mid-Year Session of the Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference.

BETHLEHEM CHRISTIAN CHURCH, MARCH 28, 1935.

MORNING SESSION.

The mid-year session of the Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference met here today and was called to order at 10 A. M. by the President, Rev. B. J. Earp. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Ivan R. Smith.

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—B. J. Earp, R. L. Williamson, M. L. Weekley, A. W. Andes, Ivan R. Smith.

Chairmen of Standing Committees—B. J. Earp, M. L. Weekley, R. O. Rothgeb, Irene Hensley, E. W. Cather.

Conference Officers—B. J. Earp, R. L. Williamson, A. W. Andes, R. O. Rothgeb.

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES.

Antioch—Floyd Showalter.

Bethlehem—Mrs. R. C. Myers, Ella Pickering.

Leaksville—G. W. Rothgeb, E. Lena Rothgeb, Maggie Rothgeb.

Linville—J. A. Taylor.

Mayland—Russell Schaurer, Minnie Showalter.

Mt. Olivet (G)—W. A. Crawford, John T. Marshall, E. Z. Morris.

Mt. Olivet (R)—W. K. Hensley, Ethel Lam.

New Hope—N. M. Hasler, Mrs. Frank Liskey.

Timber Ridge—Mrs. Merle Eaton, Mrs. Frank Sine.

Whistler's Chapel—R. L. Ettel, John C. Dean.

Winchester—Mrs. K. H. Sale, E. W. Cather, Mrs. Ivan R. Smith, Mrs. T. W. Matthews.

Woods' Chapel—J. A. Kagey, Mrs. J. A. Kagey, M. E. Kagey, Ray Stroop.

Special Committees were appointed as follows:

Press—Dr. L. E. Smith, Mrs. K. H. Sale, W. A. Crawford, R. L. Ettel, R. O. Rothgeb, Rev. R. L. Williamson, Irene Hensley

Resolutions—Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, Mrs. I. R. Smith, W. K. Hensley, Mrs. L. E. Smith.

On motion the following were invited to seats as deliberative members: Dr. L. E. Smith, Mrs. L. E. Smith, Rev. Ivan R. Smith, Mrs. Ivan R. Smith, Mrs. Ada Smith, Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, Rev. F. Irvine Hyde.

Moved and carried that the program as prepared by the President be adopted with such changes as may be necessary.

Welcome address by J. C. Bradford. Response by Rev. G. C. Crutchfield.

"Theme Texts," several appropriate verses of scripture, were presented in a talk by Rev. R. L. Williamson.

An address was given by Rev. F. Irvine Hyde using as his subject "Forward Again in Missions."

Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College, favored the Conference with an instructive address in regard to the college.

A special prayer for the college was voiced by Rev. G. C. Crutchfield.

Adjourned for dinner. Benediction by Rev. A. W. Andes.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 2 o'clock by the President.

Devotional exercises by Rev. Ivan R. Smith.

M. L. Weekley and Ivan R. Smith were added to the Committee on Apportionments.

The Home Mission Committee was instructed to assist the pastorless churches in getting pastors.

Verbal reports were given by the pastors and delegates.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee, make the following report:

1. We appreciate the part the officials of the Conference have taken in building their program.

2. We express our appreciation to all who have appeared on the program, and have given their energy and inspiration as well as information.

3. We express to this church a rising vote of thanks for their splendid and bountiful entertainment given to this conference.

G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,
MRS. IVAN R. SMITH,
MRS. L. E. SMITH,

Committee.

Adopted.

The subject: "Our Women and Missions" was discussed by Mrs. K. H. Sale, and Mrs. L. E. Smith.

On motion, Rev. B. J. Earp was granted a letter of transfer to the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

An offering was taken for Elon College, amounting to \$9.27.

Minutes of today read and approved.

On motion conference adjourned. Closing prayer by Rev. B. J. Earp.

CHURCH STATISTICS—VIRGINIA VALLEY CENTRAL CONFERENCE

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	SECRETARIES AND ADDRESSES.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.	Conference Apportionments.	Amount Paid on Apportionments.	Home and Foreign Missions.	Amount Raised for Orphanage.	All Other Benevolences.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	All Other Expenses.	TOTAL.	Value of Church Property.
*†Antioch.....	M. L. Weekley...	E. A. Showalter, Harrisonburg, Va.	94	93	\$ 80.00	\$ 35.75	\$ 36.15	\$ 31.00	\$ 160.80	\$ 300.00	\$ 58.68	\$ 622.38	\$ 3,000
*†Bethel.....	A. W. Andes.....	Mrs. Nannie Monger, Elkton, Va.	137	153	35.00	35.00	26.00	20.00	125.86	126.15	96.46	429.47	6,500
†Bethlehem.....	M. L. Weekley...	Miss Ella Pickering, Broadway, Va.	85	80	80.00	25.00	15.18	17.07	.....	240.00	16.00	313.25	3,000
Concord.....	A. W. Andes.....	Mrs. R. L. Smith, Timberville, Va.	90	93	30.00	30.00	4.28	9.50	25	73.58	13.82	131.43	1,200
*†Dry Run.....	A. W. Andes.....	W. B. Burke, Seven Fountains, Va.	84	84	40.00	40.00	15.00	25.00	10.00	123.05	25.00	238.05	5,000
Joppa.....	A. W. Andes.....	Miss Susie Duncan, Edinburg, Va.	57	55	15.00	16.25	3.10	8.65	60	34.55	16.02	79.17	700
*†Leaksville.....	A. W. Andes.....	R. O. Rothgeb, Luray, Va.	171	174	125.00	125.00	17.45	9.60	12.35	276.85	154.36	695.61	5,500
*†Linville.....	M. L. Weekley...	Miss Sellie Payne, Harrisonburg, Va.	154	156	100.00	70.35	142.70	115.00	57.55	400.00	96.59	882.28	4,666
Mayland.....	R. L. Williamson	Mrs. S. M. Lohr, Broadway, Va.	114	114	70.00	52.00	14.00	14.30	68.86	148.00	49.06	346.22	2,000
†Mt. Lebanon.....	R. L. Williamson	Mrs. Allene Kite, Shenandoah, Va.	113	111	25.00	25.00	3.02	11.08	.....	49.64	150.00	238.74	1,100
†Mt. Olivet (G.).....	R. L. Williamson	E. S. Morris, March, Va.	177	174	70.00	70.00	19.35	.....	18.00	90.00	104.27	301.62	2,500
†Mt. Olivet (R.).....	A. W. Andes.....	Miss Ethel Lam, Elkton, Va.	89	104	25.00	25.00	2.50	3.46	.....	81.40	32.40	145.31	3,000
*†New Hope.....	M. L. Weekley...	H. E. Liskey, Penn Laird, Va.	47	46	30.00	21.12	19.40	17.07	3.40	150.00	.....	210.99	3,867
*†Newport.....	A. W. Andes.....	C. W. Londerback, Shenandoah, Va.	156	162	75.00	55.00	34.15	21.98	5.79	231.75	65.65	414.32	2,000
Palmyra.....	A. W. Andes.....	Miss Shirley Clinedinst, Edinburg, Va.	69	70	20.00	12.05	6.71	6.38	.....	73.50	9.85	108.49	1,300
St. Peter's.....	A. W. Andes.....	Miss Leona Rian, Elkton, Va.	78	70	15.00	15.00	1.59	.....	.....	35.21	.....	51.80	1,200
Timber Mountain.....	.....	J. H. Park, Capon Bridge, W. Va.	59	58	10.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....
*†Timber Ridge.....	Ivan R. Smith.....	W. E. Brill, Hooks Mill, W. Va.	238	235	80.00	42.00	8.00	10.00	20.00	260.00	226.76	566.76	5,000
†Winchester's Chapel.....	R. L. Williamson	Miss Edna Ettie, Mt. Jackson, Va.	87	86	25.00	25.00	4.94	5.65	.....	50.00	.....	85.59	1,500
*†Winchester.....	Ivan R. Smith.....	R. A. Larrick, Winchester, Va.	212	214	100.00	85.00	135.15	65.82	.....	420.00	951.69	1657.66	45,000
†Woods' Chapel.....	R. L. Williamson	Ray Stroop, New Market, Va.	128	126	25.00	25.00	.....	.....	.....	86.23	.....	111.23	500
Totals.....	.....	.....	2439	2458	\$1075.00	\$ 830.52	\$ 508.67	\$ 391.65	\$ 484.01	\$3249.91	\$2166.61	\$7631.37	\$ 98,553

*Church has Missionary Society.

†Church has C. E. Society.

‡Church has Parsonage.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—VIRGINIA VALLEY CENTRAL CONFERENCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SUPERINTENDENT.	No. Officers and Teachers.	No. Pupils In School.	No. on Cradle Roll.	No. in Home Department.	Total Enrollment.	Total Raised During Year.
Antioch.....	E. A. Showalter, Harrisonburg, Va.....	8	54	4	4	70	\$ 135.43
Bethel.....	M. A. Dofflemyre, Elkton, Va.....	11	137	16	148	91	202.25
Bethlehem.....	R. C. Myers, Broadway, Va.....	15	75	4	4	58	71.10
Concord.....	Frank Derrow, Timberville, Va.....	8	46	9	4	57	48.30
Dry Run.....	W. B. Burke, Seven Fountains, Va.....	8	40	9	4	55	55.61
Joppa.....	L. O. Crisman, Edinburg, Va.....	7	41	23	48	103	13.59
Leaksville.....	B. F. McDaniel, Luray, Va.....	11	69	10	142	212	212.35
Linville.....	R. Roy Hosaflook, Linville, Va.....	14	118	10	142	297	297.82
Mayland.....	R. L. Schaurer, Broadway, Va.....	8	40	16	48	96	16.16
Mt. Lebanon.....	Isaac N. Comer, Shenandoah, Va.....	5	62	16	67	51	19.19
Mt. Olivet (G.).....	E. S. Morris, March, Va.....	9	112	12	133	113	22.44
Mt. Olivet (R.).....	B. C. Shifflet, Elkton, Va.....	8	45	6	4	56	64.47
New Hope.....	H. E. Liskey, Penn Laird, Va.....	8	70	8	78	81	23.23
Newport.....	Miss Mabel Higgs, Shenandoah, Va.....	12	25	8	45	34	34.04
Palmira.....	C. L. Rush, Edinburg, Va.....	14	92	20	8	127	96.00
Timber Ridge.....	Vernon C. Whitaker, High View, W. Va.....	7	58	127	12	177	299.79
Whistler's Chapel.....	W. K. Good, Quicksburg, Va.....	30	127	2	2	37	25.72
Winchester.....	Loy H. Hook, Winchester, Va.....	7	28	2	2	37	25.72
Woods' Chapel.....	Ray Stroop, New Market, Va.....	199	1,239	140	26	1,550	\$1,970.71
Totals.....		199	1,239	140	26	1,550	\$1,970.71

Proceedings of the One Hundred Fifteenth Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

FRANKLIN CHRISTIAN CHURCH, FRANKLIN, VA.,
OCTOBER 30—NOVEMBER 1, 1935.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference met in the 115th Annual Session and was called to order at 10:00 o'clock by Dr. N. G. Newman, President. Song service conducted by Rev. J. F. Morgan. Devotional service conducted by Rev. Carl R. Key: topic, "The Power of Religion to Stand."

ENROLLMENT.

The roll was called and the following ministers and delegates were enrolled:

Ministers—Revs. R. E. Brittle, Elisha Bradshaw, Joe French, W. H. Garman, C. E. Gerringer, H. S. Hardcastle, W. D. Harward, Robt. Lee House, W. M. Jay, I. W. Johnson, Elwood W. Jones, L. L. Lassiter, T. N. Lowe, J. F. Morgan, J. E. McCauley, N. G. Newman, L. E. Smith, G. A. Pearce, O. D. Poythress, J. M. Roberts, J. G. Truitt, R. A. Whitten, J. H. Warren, T. F. Wright, C. R. Key.

Licentiates—S. W. Phillips, A. L. Granger, Jr., Aubrey C. Todd.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—J. T. Godwin, W. E. Garrison, Miss Minnifred Clements.

Barrett's—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Pond.

Burton's Grove—Miss Louise Pittman.

Bethlehem—J. M. Ashley, W. B. Byrd, O. D. King, H. T. Taylor.

Berea (Nansemond)—Mrs. H. P. Harrell, Mrs. R. T. Bradford.

Berea (Norfolk)—Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Eason.

Christian Temple—F. M. Brewer, A. M. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Felton, Mrs. G. C. Manson.

Centerville—

Cypress Chapel—Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Brinkley, Mrs. W. L. Harrell, Mrs. R. M. Jones.

Damascus—J. M. Byrum, J. H. Carter, J. E. Corbitt.

Dendron—E. T. Atkinson, Mrs. G. W. Spratley.

Eure—N. T. Felton, H. N. Felton, W. N. Howell.

Elm Avenue—S. G. Knick, Mrs. J. E. Savage.

First, Norfolk—J. S. Kagey.

First, Portsmouth—Mrs. J. S. Holland, Mrs. R. F. Edwards, Mrs. H. R. Harcum, Mrs. Ruby Jones, Mrs. E. C. Cross.

First, Richmond—J. T. Kernodle, Miss Janie Pierce, Mrs. Annie M. Brown.

Franklin—L. R. Jones, Geo. I. Ernest, J. A. Williams, E. L. Beale.

Holy Neck—R. C. Norfleet, Miss Lillye Holland, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Davidson.

Holland—Mrs. Holland Ballard, Mrs. B. W. Council, R. H. Riedel, A. L. Jolly.

Hopewell—Mrs. J. L. Edwards, Mrs. E. W. Toney, Mrs. G. A. Robinson.

Isle of Wight—J. H. Turner, L. H. Johnson, W. L. English.

Ivor—Miss Dona Williams, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Lane.

Johnson's Grove—Mrs. B. F. Hancock, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Stone.

Liberty Spring—I. T. Byrd, N. W. Byrd, R. E. Rogers, J. S. Powell.

Mt. Carmel—Mrs. Otelia Johnson, E. W. Beale, Mrs. Lizzie Bradshaw.

Mt. Zion—

New Lebanon—Mr. and Mrs. John T. Savage, Ollie V. Cockes.

Newport News—Mrs. W. H. Baker, Mrs. G. C. Givens, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Williams.

Oakland—Mr. and Mrs. Rosser Bradshaw, W. K. Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Darden, Mr. G. W. Simpson.

Oak Grove—Willie Rountree.

Ocean View—Mrs. Bessie Martin, Miss Hattie Miles.

Old Zion—C. P. Myers, Mrs. W. W. Starnes, Mrs. W. H. Garman, M. E. Carmine.

Rosemont—Mrs. O. F. Smith, Mrs. B. F. Gibson, Mrs. O. S. Mills.

Suffolk—W. A. Daughtrey, Mrs. John King, J. E. West.

Spring Hill—Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Richardson.

South Norfolk—Mrs. B. C. Bunch, Mrs. A. L. Hanbury, Mrs. F. C. Robinson, W. H. Parron, B. O. Gimbert.

Sarem—R. H. Smith, C. O. Howell.

Union (Southampton)—R. H. Joyner, S. W. Joyner, B. Drake.

Union (Surry)—

Wakefield—Miss Kate Harris, Mrs. J. B. Kitchen.

Waverly—

Windsor—J. W. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Holland, Miss Violet Griffin, Mrs. A. P. Beale.

Total—Ministers, 28; Laymen, 121. Grand total, 149.

Address of Welcome by Dr. Elwood W. Jones, pastor.

Response by Rev. W. H. Garman.

Revs. Carl R. Key, B. C. Carnes, E. W. Fritchett, and Emmanuel Hedgebeth, a ministerial student, were introduced to Conference.

The Report of the Executive Committee was read by Dr. N. G. Newman, chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We authorized Mr. W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer, to accept a note of the Mission Board of the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian

Churches Incorporated for \$2,000.00 in lieu of a note for like amount given by the trustees of the South Norfolk Christian Church.

We prepared the Program for this session of the Conference, which is herewith submitted as a part of this report.

N. G. NEWMAN,
I. W. JOHNSON,
J. E. RAWLES,

Committee.

President appointed the following Special Committees:

Press—J. F. Morgan, R. L. House, R. A. Whitten, J. E. McCauley.

Nominations—W. M. Jay, J. H. Warren, T. Fred Wright.

Resolutions—R. E. Brittle, Mrs. I. W. Johnson, Mrs. Aubrey Kelly.

Finance—Dr. J. W. Manning, S. T. Holland, S. W. Phillips.

Report of Committee on Home Missions was read by Col. J. E. West, Chairman.

Address: "Missions Taught and Tackled," by Dr. J. G. Truitt.

Discussion of the report by Col. J. E. West and Rev. O. D. Poythress.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

If the Christian Church is to do its part in the evangelization of the World, it must build a strong home base so as to provide proper support for enlarged Foreign Mission work, and its membership must live Christianity, as well as profess it, so that those who come here will fall in love with our religion and not seek to destroy our Christian institutions and ideals.

To assist in the accomplishments of such a purpose, we urge our laymen to manage the finances of the local church, and suggest tithing as the best plan to adopt. It will accomplish the desired results and bring joy to each member that practices it.

Appropriations to churches heavily in debt having prevented this Committee from employing a Home Missionary or entering new fields, we declare it to be the policy hereafter not to help financially churches that do not consult the Committee in advance as to building plans and additions.

The Committee will gladly advise and cooperate with churches in securing pastors and in solving church problems that come within the jurisdiction of the Committee.

In consideration of the pledge of South Norfolk Church to pay annually all current expenses and to raise not less than fifteen hundred dollars annually on curtail and interest on mortgage and bank indebtedness, we recommend the appropriation of one thousand dollars to that church, same to be paid to the Prudential Insurance Company of America.

We recommend that all Home Mission funds in excess of one thousand dollars be appropriated to Newport News and Berkley churches at a ratio of two to one, to be applied on mortgage indebtedness of said churches.

J. E. WEST,
J. P. DALTON,
D. L. HARRELL,

Committee.

Address: "The Preacher," by Dr. N. G. Newman, President.

Communion service conducted by Dr. J. G. Truitt.

Conference adjourned for lunch.

Benediction by Dr. J. G. Truitt.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 2:00 o'clock. Song service and devotions in charge of Rev. G. A. Pearce.

Digest of church and ministerial reports by the Secretary.

It was moved and carried that the Report of Foreign Missions take the place of the Report on Stewardship on the program.

Report of the Treasurer was read by Mr. W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE EASTERN VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

1934. CONVENTION FUND.

Oct. 30.	Balance in Bank as per Statement	\$.94	
Nov. 8.	By Conference Collections	3,338.86	
Nov. 13.	By Check from Dendron Church	25.00	
			<u>\$3,364.80</u>
Dec. 12.	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 7 and Tax	3,360.02	
Oct. 29.	(1935) Balance as per Bank Statement	\$ 4.78	

1934. CONFERENCE FUND.

Oct. 30.	Balance as per Statement from Bank	\$ 75.81	
Nov. 8.	By Conference Collections	300.00	
1935			
Jan. 11.	By Check from the First Christian Church	30.96	
			<u>406.77</u>
1934.			
Dec. 12.	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 9 and Tax	\$ 55.47	
1935.			
Jan. 7.	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 8	3.75	
Jan. 12.	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 11	5.00	
Feb. 27.	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 12	285.00	
			<u>\$ 349.22</u>
Oct. 29.	Balance as per Bank Statement	\$ 57.55	

1934. EDUCATIONAL FUND.

Oct. 30.	Balance as per Bank Statement:		
	Active Account	\$ 337.03	
	Savings Account	620.43	
			<u>\$ 957.46</u>
Nov. 8.	By Check from Rev. S. W. Phillips (Rent)	100.00	
Nov. 8.	By Check, Rev. T. Fred Wright on Loan	25.00	
Dec. 4.	By Check for Christian Temple's Note	1,000.00	
Dec. 4.	By Check for Int. on So. Norfolk Loan	120.00	
Dec. 18.	By Check for Int. on Christian Temple Note ..	60.00	
Dec. 31.	By Interest on Savings Account in Bank	9.30	
1935.			
May 20.	By Check on Elm Ave. Loan	100.00	
June 15.	By Check from Va. Trust Co. for Bonds	3,000.00	
June 30.	By 6 Months Interest on Savings Account	8.11	
July 11.	By Check on Hopewell Loan	15.00	
Aug. 6.	By M. O. on Hopewell Loan	15.00	
Sept. 11.	By M. O. on Hopewell Loan	5.00	

Oct. 5.	By M. O. on Hopewell Loan	5.00	
Oct. 17.	By Check for Int. on So. Norfolk Loan	67.67	
			<u>\$5,487.54</u>

1934.

Nov. 26.	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 5 and Tax	\$ 150.02	
Dec. 4.	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 5 (2) and Tax.....	150.02	

1935.

June 11.	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 14	1,000.00	
July 11.	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 15	3,000.00	
			<u>\$4,300.04</u>

Oct. 29.	Balance as per Bank		\$1,187.50
	Active Account	\$ 549.66	
	Savings Account	637.84	

1934.

HOME MISSION FUND.

Oct. 30.	Balance as per Bank Statement	\$ 9.13	
Nov. 8.	By Conference Collections	1,800.00	
			<u>\$1,809.13</u>
Nov. 24.	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 4 and Tax	35.02	
Nov. 24.	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 3 and Tax	115.02	
Nov. 30.	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 2 and Tax	130.02	
Nov. 30.	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 1 and Tax	120.02	
Nov. 30.	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 6 and Tax	1,000.02	
Dec. 17.	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 10 and Tax	400.02	
			<u>\$1,800.12</u>

Oct. 29.	(1935) Balance as per Bank Statement	\$ 9.01	
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1934.

SPECIAL ACCOUNT.

Oct. 30.	Balance as per Bank Statement	\$2,620.00	
1935.			
Jan. 17.	By Check Suffolk Christian Church	375.00	
Apr. 5.	By Check Christian Temple, Elon College	150.00	
Apr. 18.	By Check, Suffolk Christian Church	375.00	
June 24.	By Check, Christian Temple, Missions	138.35	
Oct. 10.	By Check, Suffolk Christian Church	375.00	
Oct. 24.	By Check, Franklin Christian Church	346.39	
			<u>\$4,379.74</u>
Nov. 8.	To Transfer to the various accounts	\$2,620.00	
1935.			
Apr. 11.	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 13	150.00	
July 1.	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 16	138.35	
			<u>\$2,908.35</u>

Oct. 29.	Balance as per Bank Statement	\$1,471.39	
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RECAPITULATION.

	Bal. 1934	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance
Convention Fund	\$.94	\$ 3,363.86	\$ 3,360.02	\$ 4.78
Conference Fund	75.81	330.96	349.22	57.55
Educational Fund	957.46	4,530.08	4,300.04	1,187.50
Home Mission Fund	9.13	1,800.00	1,800.12	9.01
Special Account	2,620.00	1,759.74	2,908.35	1,471.39
	<u>\$ 3,663.34</u>	<u>\$11,784.64</u>	<u>\$12,717.75</u>	<u>\$ 2,730.23</u>

PROOF.

Total Balances, Oct. 30, 1934	\$ 3,663.34
Total Receipts for year	11,784.64
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	\$15,447.98
Disbursed during the year	\$12,717.75
Balances in Bank	2,730.23
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	\$15,447.98

SCHEDULE OF BONDS AND BILLS RECEIVABLE.

Charles W. Rountree's Agreement, Balance	\$ 250.00
T. Fred Wright's Note	500.00
J. Howard Smith's Notes (Two for \$200.00 each)	400.00
A. L. Granger Jr.'s Notes (Two for \$150.00 each)	300.00
Aubrey C. Todd's Notes (Two for \$150.00 each)	300.00
Mission Board's Note, secured by D. of T. on Parsonage, Elm. Ave., Portsmouth, Va.	1,807.27
Deed of Trust on Hopewell Christian Church	1,000.00
Mission Board's Notes	2,000.00
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	\$ 6,557.27

The matter of the Elon College Bonds: \$6,000 worth will be detailed in the report of the Educational Committee. As per section of the 1934 Educational Committee's report we have ceased to list \$1,260.00 in old notes and accounts, as they appear to be worthless. We have written to the makers of the notes whose address we knew asking that they renew same and pay up what they could. Mr. Charles W. Rountree has called upon me and promised to make a payment the first of November. Nothing has been heard from any others.

The bank statements and vouchers are with this report, and the above listed securities have been exhibited to the Secretary of the Conference on October 28, 1935, and are held in the vault of the Farmers Bank of Nansemond subject to the order of the Conference. The bond of the Treasurer is in the hands of the President.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. E. MACCLENNY, *Treas.*

At the request of Mr. W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, I beg to certify that he has on deposit in the Farmers Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Va.; the balances as shown by this exhibit to the credit of the several funds, total, \$2,730.23.

Signed in triplicate,

H. M. HOLLAND, *Cashier.*

On motion the report was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was read by Rev. J. F. Morgan, Chairman.

Address on Foreign Missions by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Report on Foreign Missions was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The spiritual tide of our church life will rise no higher than the current of its foreign missionary activity. This is true because this activity is in obedience to the command of our Lord, and is purely unselfish in its content and consequence. In this missionary endeavor, we share with others the life, light and love of our Lord, and by so doing, we grow in His grace and favor, and become more pleasing in His sight. We may share our means with those in

physical need, and thus be benevolent, yea, we may share our gifts to those in physical distress, and thus be charitable, but in missions we rise above these things to share our Lord and His life with others. This is spiritual activity, and will lead our church to spiritual fervor and power. Our Conference will come in possession of power and influence for greater good, only in proportion as it shall rise to its high and holy privilege of sharing our Lord with those who know Him not.

A recent bulletin of the American Board presents the following facts: That we have a foreign parish of 61,000,000 people. To work among these millions we have 494 missionaries in active service. We have 6,033 national Christian workers, 14 missions, 84 stations, and 2,167 out-stations. We have 765 churches, with 104,162 members, and 1,303 Sunday Schools, with 90,563 members, an increase in members in both Sunday Schools and churches for the year 1934.

Thus we see that the American Board is a going concern. It was organized in 1810, and is the oldest Foreign Missionary Society in America. During its life of 125 years, more than 4,500 missionaries have given their lives in mission lands under the commission of the Board.

Fifty-one per cent of the college graduates in the "Who's Who" of China, are products of Mission Schools and Colleges. A leader of the Chinese Government said recently: "I became a Christian by watching these men. They are different. They call themselves Christians. They are the hope of China. I decided to identify myself with them."

Let us as a Conference stand by the work of our Mission Board of the Southern Convention, and through that Board, that of the American Board of Commissioners of Foreign Missions, so that this great work may be carried on with greater success in the years to come.

We, therefore, recommend:

1. That we join the fellowship of those who care, and pray daily for the cause of Missions.
2. That we support with our gifts the work of missions in our local churches.
3. That all emphasis possible be laid upon the Special Mission Offering in the church, and the monthly mission offerings in the Sunday schools.
4. That we again express our gratitude for the great missionary work that is being done in our Conference by the Woman's, Young People's, Willing Workers and Cradle Roll Missionary Societies, and that we give them our fullest cooperation.

J. F. MORGAN,
J. M. ROBERTS,
W. D. HARWARD,
Committee.

The Report of the Woman's Missionary Conference was read by Mrs. J. G. Truitt, Second Vice President, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

The Twenty-Third Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Conference was held at Christian Temple, Norfolk, Va., Friday, October 4, 1935. The theme for the day being, "Go, preach my Gospel," we had a very interesting program, which sent every woman back to her task with the desire and the determination to make this year 1935-36 our greatest for missions. The Treasurer's Report showed that the total receipts for the year were \$4,816.84, with a total membership of 2,111.

We deeply regret the resignation of Mrs. J. E. Cartwright as President, Mrs. O. M. Cokes as Superintendent of Spiritual Life and Mrs. W. M. Jay as Superintendent of Literature. Their work and interest throughout the Conference is greater than we can estimate.

The Young People's Missionary Conference met on Friday evening, September 27, at the Suffolk Christian Church, with Miss Frances Everett, President, presiding. Their program was excellent. They elected the following slate of officers:

President—Miss Frances Everett.
Vice President—Miss Caroline Gort.
Secretary—Miss Ruby Piland.
Assistant Secretary—Miss Lois Harrell.

We submit the following officers of the Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference for the year 1935-1936:

President—Mrs. J. Monroe Harris.
First Vice President—Mrs. R. T. Bradford.
Second Vice President—Mrs. J. G. Truitt.
Secretary—Mrs. H. P. Harrell.
Treasurer—Mrs. J. M. Rabey.
Superintendent Life Membership and Memorials—Mrs. J. C. Ellis.
Superintendent Spiritual Life—Mrs. B. G. Harrell.
Superintendent Young People—Mrs. Garland Spratley.
Superintendent Literature—Mrs. E. L. Beale.
Superintendent Cradle Roll—Mrs. F. M. Nelson.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. JNO. G. TRUITT,
Second Vice President.

The Report of the Committee on Stewardship was read by Dr. W. M. Jay, Chairman.

Address on Stewardship by Dr. W. M. Jay.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP.

We, your Committee on Stewardship, would submit the following report:

The end of Christian stewardship is human character. It is not primarily that the church may have a system of finance, but that the moral and spiritual forces of the church may be developed, that the principles of stewardship are wrought into its fibre.

Stewardship is a matter of the heart. It rests upon an exalted conception of man's relation to God, and acknowledges His creative power and sovereign ownership.

It is the stewardship of all of life, including our time, talents, spiritual resources and our material possessions that becomes the reliable and standard test of the Christian's character and the genuineness of the steward.

It is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful, says Paul. (I Cor. 4:2.) A steward should be faithful in the moral and spiritual resources,—time talents, influence, opportunity and personality; but there is no better evidence that he is shamming in his larger stewardship if he is unfaithful in the only real and concrete example of stewardship—that of being faithful in the stewardship of his substance.

"Money is the measure of the value of things." It is also the chief "medium of exchange." All of men's earthly possessions are valued in terms of money; and instead of making his exchanges in terms of products, as cattle, shells, skins, tea or salt, as he once did, such exchanges are made now in terms of money. Hence man's faithfulness in the stewardship of his possessions is his faithfulness in the stewardship or use of his money. The portion of one's income that has generally been regarded as holy unto the Lord or unto deity, as recorded in the Christian's Bible and in the records of ancient pagan nations,

is the tenth. "Instances are on record in the history of some nations who did not offer sacrifices but in the annals of all time, none are found who did not pay the tithe." (Lovelace.)

From the time of Abraham who gave tithes unto Melchizidek, priest of the most high God, and Jacob who pledged to Jehovah a tenth of all future possessions on the condition of the fulfillment of God's promise to him, the tithe has been a solemn obligation of the Jew. The tithe, if not demanded by Jesus, is unqualifiedly commended by Him, and it is loved and commended by multitudes of Christians today, and the principle seems to be gaining in influence and favor. Therefore, we offer the following recommendations:

1. Since the Scriptures declare the relationship of man to God to be that of a steward, we urge upon all Christians and members of our churches to be faithful in this stewardship with respect to all of life.

2. That our faithfulness and loyalty to the church of which we are a part, be a special manifestation in our stewardship living, by way of attendance, service and support.

3. That in the stewardship of our substance we set aside, as holy unto the Lord, at least the tithe of our income, for the following reasons:

(a) Because our church deliberately recommends it as a wise standard of giving to benevolence.

(b) It is the mode in constant use in the Old Testament and has been given the unqualified commendation of Christ.

(c) It has been urged and commended by the prophetic voices of the church through the Christian centuries.

(d) It is systematic, businesslike, and on the whole more equitable in distribution of the burden of kingdom support than any other system of giving.

(e) It is needed to meet the present and future demands of the church, and if faithfully adhered to, will be adequate to meet all these demands with ease and joy, and without the usual strains and embarrassment.

(f) It is conducive to character building and yields constant satisfaction, contentment and spiritual joy to such individuals and churches as adopt it.

(g) It is the best method of adequate church finance that can be used and has many advantages over the occasional and spasmodic method of giving.

(h) Since many individual Christians in our churches do tithe and rejoice in the pleasure of it; and some of our churches have adopted the plan for a limited time for a special purpose, and with marked increase in receipts as to relieve the church of immediate financial embarrassment, then why not all Christians as faithful stewards, and all churches, as the true body of Christ, fall in line and pursue a policy of giving that cannot be refuted as being the most equitable, adequate and joyous plan of benevolent giving?

W. M. JAY,

T. N. LOWE,

C. E. GERRINGER,

Committee.

Announcements by the Committee on Entertainment.

Conference adjourned until the evening session.

Benediction by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 7:30 P. M. Song service by Mr. W. H. Baker.

Dr. L. E. Smith, President, presented some moving pictures of scenes at Elon College.

Sermon by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle: topic, "The Shepherd Spirit in Modern Christian Life."

Conference adjourned until 9:30 A. M. tomorrow.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 9:30 o'clock. Song service conducted by Rev. O. D. Poythress. Devotional service led by Rev. Robert Lee House: topic, "Holding Up the Work."

Minutes of yesterday read and approved after corrections.

The Report of the Committee on Religious Literature was read by Dr. Elwood W. Jones, Chairman.

Address: "Books and Reading," by Rev. Robert Lee House. Report discussed by Mr. J. T. Kernodle, Dr. J. O. Atkinson and Rev. G. A. Pearce.

Report on Literature adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Your Committee on Religious Literature presents the following report:

The words of Sacred Writ, "None of us liveth to himself" have always been true, and never more so than now. With the whole world rapidly becoming a neighborhood and people living in ever-increasingly close contact with one another, with the welfare of one nation more and more dependent upon the welfare of other nations, with the recovery of normal material living, so long delayed, and all the more eagerly sought for everywhere, and with general realization that we are in the midst of great and momentous changes in all phases of life, people of all walks of life look to the secular press for news of world events, and interpretation of their meaning. The secular press has many faults, yet we recognize it as a mighty agency of our civilization in moulding the opinion of the masses. We decry the tendency of many newspapers and news magazines to sensationalism, and their pandering to commercial evils, but we commend the press in general for its readiness to disseminate religious news and viewpoints.

The secular paper goes into all our homes. We were never better informed as citizens of our State and nation, but multitudes of Christian people are not well informed as citizens of the Kingdom of God. Information regarding the progress of Christ in His world comes chiefly from the religious press. Specific information regarding our denomination in its work at home and in its missionary approach to the whole world comes from our denominational publications. Lack of knowledge regarding Kingdom progress is due to the meagre circulation of the religious paper.

Up until a few years ago, we, as a denomination, had the Herald of Gospel Liberty, the oldest religious weekly in the land. When we merged with the Congregational Churches our publication was soon merged with The Congregationalist, a weekly. Later the name was changed to Advance. Now Advance has become a monthly publication because of poor support given it in the United Church.

THE CHRISTIAN SUN is published weekly, representing the Southeast Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches. It is an indispensable means of contact in our Conference, and in our Convention. We all need it for its dissemination of denominational and interdenominational news, and for its clear spiritual interpretation of the day in which we live. A number of faithful self-

sacrificing people give generously of their time and talents to make this religious paper a credit to our denomination. Multitudes of our people are the weaker spiritually because they do not subscribe to it and read it.

1. Your committee, therefore, most heartily commends THE CHRISTIAN SUN and urges that its circulation up to the maximum of our constituency be made a major project of our Conference. Failure to move in this proposed direction will necessarily cause it to continue to be a heavy charge upon our Convention funds if it is to continue publication, and its suspension is unthinkable.

2. Missionary knowledge is back of all missionary interest and gifts. Your committee commends the Woman's Missionary Societies for their organized study of missionary literature, and it especially recognizes the value, from a religious literature viewpoint, of such a meeting as was held in Suffolk Christian Church some months ago when Dr. Albert W. Palmer reviewed his book, "Orientals in American life." Your committee believes that other similar meetings would greatly aid in stimulating missionary reading and interest among both men and women of our churches.

3. In this year that commemorates 400 years of the printed English Bible, your committee would earnestly remind our people that the Bible has been in all these years a very vital factor in world civilization, and that its emphasis upon God in Christ as the sole hope of the race, and the only one adequate to meet the needs of mankind needs to be heeded by everyone. In all our reading let us not forget to read and study the Book of Books, and let us urge that others shall give it the place of preeminence in their lives.

4. Your committee would again urge our people to use exclusively the Sunday school publications of our United Church, believing them to be among the best in the land. They can continue to be strong and helpful only to the extent that they are used throughout our fellowship.

5. We recognize the improvement in the character of moving pictures offered to the public, due to the rising protest of religious people against the harmful productions of recent years. The strength of the religious constituency brought to bear in the field of the movie needs to be marshalled against harmful magazines, and all other forms of literature which would lower the Christian standard of morals. Your committee urges that we use our Christian judgment as to the type of people with whom we associate through the printed page and on the movie screen.

ELWOOD W. JONES, *Chmn.,
Committee.*

Dr. C. H. Rowland was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

Mrs. C. H. Rowland was recognized by the Conference.

On motion the Secretary was instructed to write letters of sympathy to Revs. F. C. Lester, J. N. Cutchin and Dr. Chas Eldred Shelton in their sickness.

The Report of Mr. W. E. MacClenny, Historian, was read by Dr. John G. Truitt and adopted with thanks and appreciation.

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN.

We are again assembled in the ancient county of Southampton, Va. In this county was one of the last Indian reservations in this section, the Nottoway Town, and it stood until the race was practically extinct. Both the Nansemonds and the Nottoways passed away there.

This county furnished two famous men to the war of 1861-65, Gen. George H. Thomas in the Federal service and Gen. William Mahone in the Confederate service. Gen. Thomas became known as the "Rock of Chickamauga" and

has his monument in Washington, D. C. Gen. Mahone became one of the foremost construction engineers of his day, and then a railroad man, and during the war he led his men in many famous engagements, and his men in after years were proud of the fact that they belonged to Mahone's brigade. It was through his influence according to some that Virginia was redeemed from misrule after the war. He has his monument at the Crater.

We are on the Blackwater River, on whose banks near here stood the colonial port town of South Quay, with its shipyards, customs house and large foreign trade during the Revolutionary war and the War of 1812. At that port was landed a large consignment of French cannon in 1779 for the use of the American army, and when Virginia was invaded by the British, it was a task to remove them as they were so large. Later the Northern and Southern mails were exchanged there. The Blackwater River was the Confederate lines for a long time during the war of 1861-65, and many were the refugees who crossed over that river to be in the Confederate lines.

But for the Christian denomination, this county has a peculiar interest. It is in this county that Old Barrett's and Union Christian churches are located, and they have furnished many of the leaders of the denomination for the first half century of the Conference's history. They have furnished directly and indirectly, Rev. Burwell Barrett, Mills Barrett, Dr. William B. Wellons and Rev. James W. Wellons and Rev. E. W. Beale, Rev. T. W. Joyner and William J. Lane. So much were the early Barretts the leaders in the Christian Church that in some sections they became known as the "Barrett Society." Union, near here, is ancient, some of its records going back more than 100 years. It was around that church that Co. "K" 24th Va. Cavalry was organized and drilled in 1862; and the only surviving veteran from Nansemond County, Gen. Julius F. Howell, Bristol, Va., was a member of that Company.

By consulting the county records it is found that the early Christian ministers were active men in the community as well as the church.

The local Franklin church celebrated its 50th anniversary in 1933, at which time a history of the church was prepared and printed, and it could not be improved upon at this time.

We are glad that there have been held several anniversary and historical services during the year and good sketches of the churches were prepared. Among these we mention Mt. Carmel and Antioch. At Mt. Carmel, Dr. I. W. Johnson prepared an excellent history of the church.

It is practically assured that the State Commission on Conservation and Development will mark the Old Lebanon site in Surry County with a state marker. In fact, Dr. H. J. Eckenrode, director, has informed us that the marker is being prepared. This will give us a double marker at that place.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. MACCLENNY,

The Report of the Committee on Education was read by Dr. I. W. Johnson, Chairman.

The following addresses were delivered under this Report in the interest of Elon College:

"Boosting for the College," Rev. A. L. Granger, Jr.

"The Ministry," Dr. John G. Truitt.

"Existing Conditions," Dr. L. E. Smith.

Following the addresses the Report was referred to the Committee for further consideration.

Conference adjourned for lunch.

Benediction by Rev. J. H. Warren.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 2:00 o'clock. Song service conducted by Rev. J. F. Morgan. Devotional service conducted by Rev. T. Fred Wright.

The Report of the Committee on Education was again taken up for consideration, and, on motion, was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Pursuant to the action of Conference at last session, your Committee took up the matter of turning over the Six Thousand Dollars (face value) of Elon College Bonds to Elon College. Before the matter was in shape for consummation, the Virginia Trust Company notified the Treasurer of the Conference to send in the Bonds for payment on a basis of 50 per cent of the face value, or \$3,000.00 in cash. The Treasurer, therefore, sent in the Bonds and received a check for the above named amount. After effecting an agreement with the Trustees of Elon College, which is herewith incorporated in this report, the check was transmitted to Elon College, thereby establishing The Ministerial Trust Fund of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, which is to remain in the hands of the Trustees as long as Elon College continues to comply with the terms of the following contract:

CONTRACT BETWEEN ELON COLLEGE AND THE EASTERN VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE RELATIVE TO EDUCATIONAL FUND.

Whereas, The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, in regular session, assembled on November 1st, 1934, at Bethlehem Christian Church, Nansemond County, Virginia, passed the following as a part of the Report of the Committee on Education, it being the twelfth item in said Report.

"This Conference holds Elon College Bonds to the amount of Six Thousand (\$6,000.00) Dollars, for money loaned from the Educational Fund. We recommend that the Conference offer to make the following agreement with the College: That the Board of Trustees, or a legally constituted authority, agree, on behalf of the College to give each year a credit of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) on room and board to any ministerial student from this Conference who is properly recommended by the Educational Committee of the Conference, provided that the total credits in one year shall not exceed One Hundred and Eighty Dollars (\$180.00). If more than two (2) students are entitled to credit in one year, the distribution of this credit shall be on an equal basis to all entitled to receive the same. It is understood that when there are no ministerial students in said College from this Conference, no credits are to be given to the Conference by this agreement. These credits are to be a gift to the said students and not regarded as a loan."

Now, therefore, the said Board of Trustees of Elon College, State of North Carolina, in regular session assembled this 29th day of May, 1935, hereby accepts the above proposition of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, and hereby promises and agrees, upon the receipt of said Elon College Bonds, to carry out the said provisions as long as the said Board of Trustees continues to operate and run the College under the control of the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches Incorporated; and should any eventuality arise preventing the Board of Trustees from carrying out its part of the provisions and agreement hereby entered into, as enumerated above, then the said Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) worth (face value) of Coupon Bonds of said College, or their current worth at the time of their payment by the Virginia Trust Company, shall then and there revert back to The Eastern Virginia

Christian Conference, to be placed to the credit of the Educational Fund of said Conference: and it is further agreed that these Bonds, herein mentioned, or the proceeds from the payment of the same, shall be regarded as a Ministerial Trust Fund for The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

In witness whereof, I, L. E. Smith, President of Elon College, and I, P. H. Fleming, Secretary, have hereunto set our hands and seals, and have attached the seal of Elon College. Done this 29th day of May, 1935, at Elon College, County of Alamance, State of North Carolina, by order of the Board of Trustees of Elon College.

(Signed) L. E. SMITH, *President*,
P. H. FLEMING, *Secretary*.
(Seal of Elon College attached.)

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
COUNTY OF ALAMANCE—To-WIT:

I, J. C. McAdams, a Notary Public in and for the County of Alamance and State of North Carolina, do certify that L. E. Smith as President of Elon College, and P. H. Fleming as Secretary of Elon College, whose names are signed to the foregoing writing, bearing date, May 29th, 1935, personally appeared before me this day in my said County and State, and in the name and on behalf of the said Elon College acknowledged the said writing as the act and deed of Elon College, a corporation existing by virtue of the laws of the State of North Carolina, and made oath, that L. E. Smith is President, and P. H. Fleming is Secretary of the said College, located in North Carolina and the said P. H. Fleming says that he affixed the seal of the said College to the same, and that he knows it to be the true seal of the said Elon College, a corporation, and that it was thereto affixed by due authority.

Subscribed and sworn to by L. E. Smith as President and P. H. Fleming as Secretary of Elon College this the 11th day of June, 1935.

(Signed) J. C. McADAMS, *Notary Public*.
(L. S.) My Commission expires Jan. 29, 1936.

ELON COLLEGE.

Elon College is forging ahead with an increasing patronage. The enrollment of students at this date is 461, the largest in the history of the institution. Of this number, only 103 are members of the Congregational-Christian Churches. This percentage should be much larger. There are enough young people within the bounds of the Convention to fill the College to its capacity. Other denominations are more liberal in their patronage and are reaping the benefits of our investment and expenditure of funds. Their confidence and support should encourage our people to follow their example in patronizing Elon College.

In cooperation with the Virginia Trust Company and the creditors of the College, the indebtedness of the College has been reduced during the year. If this program is carried out as contemplated, the College will owe the Virginia Trust Company about \$167,000.00, and all other indebtedness will be settled.

It is proposed to put on a campaign to pay the balance of the indebtedness after the present program is completed. In that event the College will also need approximately \$1,000,000.00 additional endowment to put it on a self-sustaining basis. The endowment funds have sustained losses during the period of financial depression. A church College never reaches the end of its financial difficulties as long as it continues to grow. The constituency of Elon College should be challenged and encouraged by the present conditions to greater loyalty and support.

THE MINISTRY.

Our attention has been called to the fact that Rev. R. W. Sutcliffe, formerly of Philadelphia, Pa., has failed to report to the Conference for several years.

In keeping with the rules of the Conference we recommend that his name be dropped from the roll of Elders.

The following persons are on the rolls as licentiates: Revs. S. W. Phillips, Durant D. Nash, Mrs. H. C. Caviness, L. E. Huber, A. L. Granger, Jr., Aubrey C. Todd, and Herbert George Council, Jr.

Revs. A. L. Granger, Jr., and Aubrey C. Todd are members of the Senior Class in Elon College; Rev. Herbert George Council, Jr., is a member of the Senior Class in William and Mary College. These are regarded as excellent students.

BIBLICAL CLASS.

Mr. Emmanuel S. Hedgebeth, a member of the Holland Christian Church and a graduate of the Holland High School, has been recommended by his church as worthy of being a candidate for the ministry. He is a member of the Freshman Class in Elon College. We recommend that he be enrolled as a member of the Biblical Class, and that he be granted a credit of \$60.00 on room and board from the Ministerial Trust Fund this year.

We also recommend that Revs. A. L. Granger, Jr., and Aubrey C. Todd be granted a credit of \$60.00 each from the Ministerial Trust Fund this year, on room and board.

We recommend that Aubrey C. Todd be granted a loan of \$200.00 from the Educational Fund, and that the Treasurer be authorized to accept his note for the same, on the usual terms and conditions.

Your committee approved the transfer of note for \$2,000.00 from the South Norfolk Christian Church to the Mission Board of the Southern Convention, said Board giving its note for the same amount, which is included in the assets of this Department.

We recommend that Rev. Carl R. Key, an Elder of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference, be enrolled as an Elder of this Conference upon his letter of transfer which is presented herewith.

We recommend that Rev. J. L. Foster be granted a letter, upon his own request, to unite with the Eastern North Carolina Conference.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

Cash in Farmers Bank of Nansemond—

Active Account	\$ 549.66	
Savings Account	637.84	
		<hr/> 1,187.50

Notes:

C. W. Rountree	\$ 250.00	
T. Fred Wright	500.00	
J. Howard Smith	400.00	
A. L. Granger, Jr.	300.00	
Aubrey C. Todd	300.00	
Elm Ave. Church	1,807.27	
Hopewell Church	1,000.00	
S. Convention Mission Board	2,000.00	
		<hr/> 6,557.27

Ministerial Trust Fund—Elon College	3,000.00	
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Total assets	\$10,744.77	
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We urge the persons who have received loans from this Fund to be prompt and punctual in meeting the payments according to the terms and conditions named in the respective notes, both as to interest and principal. This money should all be returned to the Fund in due time, and be available for future loans to deserving ministerial students.

We call the Conference to frequent intercessory prayer for our young ministers, and for God to call other worthy young men into this sacred and high field of service.

Respectfully submitted,

I. W. JOHNSON,
W. M. JAY,
H. S. HARDCASTLE,
J. G. TRUITT,
F. C. LESTER,

Committee.

Rev. R. T. Grissom, mission worker in Carroll County, was introduced to the Conference.

The Report of the Committee on Christian Education was read by Rev. J. E. McCauley, Chairman. Discussion by Rev. J. E. McCauley, Dr. J. O. Atkinson and Rev. Robert Lee House.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

From year to year, your Committee on Christian Education is more and more impressed with the fact that Christian Education has to do with all phases of Christian Training. We are not unaware of the importance of other committees and the work they are doing. In fact we are proud of every other influence that emphasizes to any degree the importance of training and helps to make the members of the local church with its auxiliary bodies within the bounds of this Conference more alert to the influences that help build character. We are mindful of the work that is being done by the Committee on Religious Literature in helping to promote Bible study, reading of the right type of literature, especially our church paper, the interest that is being taken in Mission study, stewardship, and an endeavor to learn better how to save the lost through evangelism. We are hoping for and working toward a bigger and better program for the coming year. We are asking that ministers and delegates of this Conference take note and cooperate with us in helping to make the program of Christian Education a vital factor in every church.

Three members of the Committee on Christian Education of this Conference are on the Executive Committee of the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention. The two Committees working jointly and with the aid and suggestions of Revs. H. S. Hardcastle, R. L. House, John G. Truitt, and F. C. Lester, a member of this Committee and Chairman of the Board of Christian Education, have worked out plans whereby Training Courses are accessible to every church in the Conference. This past year most of the churches were within easy reach of one of these training schools. It is now so that every church can have attendants at one of these schools if pastor and delegates will see that the people are lined up with it. The regular schools are held annually at Norfolk, Suffolk, Newport News, Wakefield or Waverly, and a class at Richmond. The Youth Fellowship in this Conference is a vital factor in helping the youth to help carry on the whole program of the Church. We commend its work and suggest that we give it our hearty support.

We would also call attention of the Conference to the fact that the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor are doing a great deal to promote training within the bounds of the whole Southern Convention. We did not hold our Annual Convention due to the Infantile Paralysis, but our reports were received, funds raised and turned over to the Board of Christian Education. In addition to this, by the help and cooperation of the superintendents of the various departments, workers' hand-books will soon be ready for distribution. These would have been in the hands of the local church if it had not been for the illness of Rev. F. C. Lester.

We are planning to reach every local church by the above mentioned plan. In addition to accepting what is being worked out to help the local church by the Board and its auxiliary bodies, we urge each pastor to see that an offering is taken each year for the Board of Christian Education and sent to C. H. Stephenson, Treasurer, Raleigh, N. C.

If we can get the hearty cooperation of every local church in helping to perfect the above stated plans, which give specific information for organizing and perfecting better methods for doing more efficient work in the local church and church school, for Missions, Education, Evangelism, Stewardship and offer suggestions by bibliographies for reading better literature in all these departments, we feel that a new day will dawn in our Conference in every department.

J. E. McCAULEY,
W. H. BAKER,
R. E. BRITTLE,
Committee.

Report of Committee on Temperance and Moral Reform was read by Rev. Robert A. Whitten. After discussion by the Chairman the Report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE AND MORAL REFORM.

Temperance, morals and social conditions are problems for the church and clergy. Therefore, the church should lead the way by precept and example in an effort to establish a christian standard of living.

Your Committee feels most keenly the responsibility of the task you have assigned us and we recognize the emergencies of this crucial period when christianity is on trial. That the destructive forces of evil are increasingly active and are producing vice in multiplied form of shame and disgrace, no thoughtful person can deny. We believe that the very seriousness of the situation itself will tend to awaken an enlarged interest in a campaign to create better conditions, which can be brought about by a united effort of the christian people of our nation under the leadership of the Holy Spirit.

We deplore the general tendency towards decay and a breakdown of moral discipline, especially evident among the youth of our day, but we call special attention to the more flagrant violations of law and decency as hereinafter set forth.

The liquor traffic, like a giant venomous serpent, has again raised his head to boast of recent victory through the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment, which had closed, "legally", the operation of 177,000 saloons during the brief period of time it was given an unfair trial. Now since liquor is again legalized, it has opened, (quotation from Dr. Daniel Poling, "Success of Repeal," *Christian Herald*) 437,704 places where liquor may be sold legally. Add to this the innumerable beer gardens and wine parlors and how this curse has thrust its poison fangs to treacherously claim the virtue of a large number of girls of high school age, as the price we are paying for the disgraceful disaster which we have visited upon ourselves, by legalizing this crime and permitting the employment as bar maids, the flower of our young womanhood to become the innocent victims of this damnable deed.

A correspondingly serious indictment rests upon us in the same degree, because of the effect of its blighting influence upon the boys of this generation, many of whom will probably fill drunkards' graves.

The mixture of alcohol and gasoline is a menace to the open road and is exacting an awful toll of human life, composed largely of innocent travellers killed by drunken drivers.

Your Committee also wishes to direct attention to the many forms of gambling being practised openly in many places without as much as a protest from the people or any attempt by proper authority for the enforcement of the law.

We would also remind you of the persistent efforts continually being made to destroy the sanctity of our Sabbath Day. We abhor the operation of places of amusement on the Lord's Day, with special reference to Sunday Movies, and we register our disapproval of this defiance of God's Holy Law. We are glad to learn of results obtained through the decency movement to clean up the movies, and give us better pictures, but would remind you that permanent improvement is not assured and that pressure on the studios must be continued.

Our recommendations are in the form of an appeal for law enforcement and wider educational means to be used to acquaint our people with tragic facts, to the end that we may enlist them in the sacred task before us. We cannot continue to remain silent in this hour of great peril, but we must offer our prayers to a righteous God and register our protest to those who sit in council.

We recommend that the churches co-operate in the Peace Plebiscite, and vote, if possible, during the week of November 10th.

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. WHITTEN,
J. W. MANNING,
H. S. HARDCASTLE,
CHAS. ELDRED SHELTON,
Committee.

Report of Committee on Nominations was read by Dr. W. M. Jay, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, submit the following nominations as indicated:

Officers—President, Rev. R. Lee House; Vice President, Dr. J. E. Rawles; Secretary, Dr. I. W. Johnson; Assistant Secretary, Mr. W. H. Baker; Treasurer, Mr. W. E. MacClenny.

Ministerial delegates to the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches—Revs. R. E. Brittle, Elisha Bradshaw, Joe French, W. H. Garman, C. E. Gerringer, H. S. Hardcastle, W. D. Harward, R. L. House, W. M. Jay, I. W. Johnson, Elwood W. Jones, F. C. Lester, T. N. Lowe, J. F. Morgan, J. E. McCauley, N. G. Newman, O. D. Poythress, G. A. Pearce, J. M. Roberts, L. E. Smith, J. G. Truitt, R. A. Whitten, J. H. Warren, T. F. Wright. Alternates: Revs. S. W. Phillips, Aubrey C. Todd, D. D. Nash, Mrs. H. C. Caviness, A. L. Granger, Jr., H. G. Council, Jr., Emanuel Hedgebeth.

Lay Delegates—M. W. Hollowell, M. J. W. White, Dr. J. W. Manning, J. E. Corbitt, Miss Irene Cotten, T. A. Eure, Miss Edna Fulcher, Miss Janie Pierce, J. A. Williams, Mrs. Phillip Jones, A. L. Jolly, R. C. Norfleet, I. T. Byrd, Otis V. Joyner, O. M. Cokes, Mrs. W. B. Williams, Waverly Parker, H. R. Morrison, H. W. Lee, Dr. J. E. Rawles, Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Col. E. E. Holland, J. M. Darden, Miss Elizabeth Sharpe, Mrs. J. M. Rabey. Alternates: Miss Hattie Miles, C. D. West, Mrs. Garland Spratley, B. E. White, L. R. Jones, Mrs. B. D. Jones, Miss Frances Everett, S. T. Holland, Mrs. R. T. Bradford, W. R. Clarke.

Delegates to the General Council—Rev. Robert Lee House, Col. J. E. West, Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Dr. I. W. Johnson, Dr. J. G. Truitt, M. J. W. White, Dr. Elwood W. Jones, Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. JAY,
T. F. WRIGHT,
J. H. WARREN,
Committee.

Report of Committee on Ministerial Ethics was read by Dr. J. G. Truitt and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL ETHICS.

It is believed by your committee that the pastors of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference are in happy and harmonious relationship amongst themselves; that each seeks the finest, and best fellowship and friendship one with another; and that they seek to be cordial and helpful to one another. So far as the committee knows, there are no exceptions to this, and if there are it is earnestly desired that that condition be corrected at once. The ministry of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference are seeking to hold their calling in the highest possible honor. They are justly proud of their Conference, its great laity, its great and good churches, its standards of preparation for the ministry, and its comparative financial strength.

The laity of this Conference desire the very noblest type of ministers to serve in its pulpits, and pastorates. They demand it, and are dissatisfied whenever, or wherever there is any lowering of standards. The ministers are in perfect agreement with the laity on this matter. And the humbler pastorates in this Conference are just as noble in the sight of the Conference in so far as the requirements of goodness, devotion to duty, and loyalty to the church and Conference are concerned as are any of the others. The ministers thereof should be held in the same esteem, and should hold their work in the same esteem.

This Conference can be proud of the members of its class of ministerial students, and they themselves appreciate the high standards of requirement for the ordination to the ministry held by our Conference.

For our edification the chairman of the committee shall read at the close of this report one of the Ministers' Ethical Codes found in Marmoss' book on the subject.

We wish most heartily to commend the president's address to "The Preacher" and desire to see it in print.

JOHN G. TRUITT,
M. W. HOLLOWELL,
Committee.

Conference adjourned until the evening session.

Benediction by Rev. R. T. Grissom.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 7:30 o'clock. Song service conducted by Mr. W. H. Baker. Prayer by Dr. J. G. Truitt.

The Orphanage was discussed by Revs. O. D. Poythress, H. S. Hardcastle and Mr. C. D. Johnston, Superintendent.

Sermon: "The Greatest Moment in the Church," by Rev. Carl R. Key.

Benediction by Dr. N. G. Newman.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 9:30 o'clock. Devotional service conducted by Rev. R. E. Brittle. Scripture lesson: Romans 12th Chapter.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Report of Collector was read by Mr. R. C. Norfleet and referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF COLLECTOR.

	Conference Home Missions	Conference Fund	Convention Fund	Convention Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Elon College Fund	Superannuation Fund	Christian Education
Antioch.....\$	10.00 \$	5.00 \$	10.00 \$	10.00 \$	5.00 \$	1.52 \$	4.00 \$	
Barrett's.....								
Berea, Nans.....	25.00	4.00	25.00			80.00	6.00	5.00
Berea, Norfolk....	30.00	5.00	35.00	11.00	11.00	20.00	10.00	3.00
Bethlehem.....	40.00	10.00	5.00		20.00	20.00	5.00	
Burton's Grove....								
Centerville.....	2.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	4.00	1.78	
Christian Temple..	150.00	20.00	225.00	180.00	180.00	200.00	50.00	20.00
Cypress Chapel....	9.00	5.00	8.00			11.00		
Damascus.....	12.50	5.00	22.50					
Dendron.....	5.00	3.00	5.00					
Eure.....	5.00	5.00		5.00	15.00	5.00		
Elm Avenue.....	15.00	5.00	20.00					
First, Norfolk.....	20.00	10.00	20.00	15.00	10.00	10.00	15.00	5.00
First, Portsmouth..	40.00	10.00	50.00					
First, Richmond...								
Franklin.....	60.00	25.00	63.00	63.00	75.00		35.00	25.39
Holland.....	74.00	15.00	85.00	2.00			4.00	
Holy Neck.....	20.00	11.00	30.00	50.00	50.00	20.00	10.00	20.00
Hopewell.....								
Isle of Wight.....	10.00	3.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	1.00	1.00
Ivor.....								
Johnson's Grove...	3.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	5.00	1.00	1.00
Liberty Spring....	40.00	10.00	40.00	4.55	4.55		10.90	10.00
Mt. Carmel.....	10.00	5.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	3.00	2.00
Mt. Zion.....	2.50	5.00	2.50					
Newport News.....	80.00	15.00	85.00	85.00		36.76		
New Lebanon.....	8.75	4.75	11.50					
Ocean View.....	10.00	5.00	12.00					
Old Zion.....								
Oak Grove.....								
Oakland.....	35.00	5.00	40.00	11.00	11.00	100.00	10.00	10.00
Rosemont.....	60.00	10.00	70.00			84.50	6.50	5.00
Suffolk.....	300.00	30.00	440.00	111.30	111.30	384.37	88.03	35.00
South Norfolk.....	60.00	10.00	60.00	10.00	10.00	35.00	10.00	5.00
Spring Hill.....	10.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	15.00	5.00	4.03
Sarem.....	5.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	8.50	5.00	2.00
Union, South.	5.38	5.00	3.32					
Union, Surry.....	5.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	2.00
Waverly.....	10.00	5.00						
Wakefield.....								
Windsor.....	30.00	5.00	35.00	5.00	5.00	12.00	3.00	5.00
Epworth Mission..	2.00	2.00	1.00					

Totals.....\$1,204.13 \$ 272.75 \$1,453.82 \$ 596.85 \$ 541.85 \$1,072.65 \$ 289.21 \$ 164.42

Grand Total—\$5,595.68.

R. C. NORFLEET, Collector.

Report of the Committee on Apportionments was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS—1935-1936.

	Conference Missions	Conference Fund	Convention Fund	Convention Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Elon College Fund	Superannuation Fund	Christian Education	Totals
Antioch.....	\$ 35	\$ 5	\$ 40	\$ 40	\$ 40	\$ 100	\$ 20	\$ 10	290
Barrett's.....	10	2	12	12	14	35	5	5	95
Berea, Nans.....	25	4	25	25	25	80	6	5	195
Berea, Norfolk.....	30	5	35	35	35	85	15	5	245
Bethlehem.....	40	10	50	50	50	150	30	10	390
Burton's Grove.....	10	2	10	10	10	25	5	3	75
Centerville.....	5	3	5	5	5	15	5	2	45
Christian Temple.....	150	20	225	225	225	550	125	40	1,560
Cypress Chapel.....	35	5	40	40	40	100	20	10	290
Damascus.....	35	5	40	40	40	100	20	10	290
Dendron.....	5	3	5	5	5	15	5	2	45
Eure.....	35	5	40	40	40	100	20	10	290
Elm Avenue.....	15	5	20	20	20	50	10	5	145
First, Norfolk.....	40	10	50	50	50	150	30	10	390
First, Portsmouth.....	40	10	50	50	50	150	30	10	390
First, Richmond.....	35	5	40	40	40	100	20	10	290
Franklin.....	73	15	85	85	85	192	35	15	585
Holland.....	74	15	85	85	85	191	35	15	585
Holy Neck.....	40	10	50	50	50	150	30	10	390
Hopewell.....	5	3	5	5	5	15	5	2	45
Isle of Wight.....	10	3	10	10	10	25	5	2	75
Ivor.....	5	3	5	5	5	15	5	2	45
Johnson's Grove.....	3	1	3	3	3	5	1	1	20
Liberty Spring.....	40	10	50	50	50	150	30	10	390
Mt. Carmel.....	35	5	40	40	40	100	20	10	290
Mt. Zion.....	10	3	10	10	10	25	5	2	75
Newport News.....	80	15	85	85	85	185	35	15	585
New Lebanon.....	10	5	13	12	12	30	10	3	95
Ocean View.....	10	5	12	13	12	30	10	3	95
Old Zion.....	40	10	50	50	50	150	30	10	390
Oak Grove.....	10	5	12	13	12	30	10	3	95
Oakland.....	35	5	40	40	40	100	20	10	290
Rosemont.....	60	10	70	70	70	175	25	5	485
Suffolk.....	300	30	440	440	440	989	193	93	2,925
South Norfolk.....	60	10	70	70	70	170	30	5	485
Spring Hill.....	10	5	13	12	12	30	10	3	95
Sarem.....	5	3	5	5	5	15	5	2	45
Union, Southampton...	15	5	20	20	20	50	10	5	145
Union, Surry.....	5	3	5	5	5	15	5	2	45
Waverly.....	75	15	80	80	80	195	45	15	585
Wakefield.....	15	2	20	20	20	53	10	5	145
Windsor.....	30	5	35	35	35	85	15	5	245
Totals.....	\$1,600	\$ 300	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$4,975	\$1,000	\$ 400	\$14,275

A. L. JOLLY,
R. C. NORFLEET,
J. T. RAWLES,

Committee.

Report of Christian Missionary Association by Pres. R. L. House.

It was moved and carried that the Conference have the minutes published in the Annual and that 500 copies be purchased and distributed pro rata among the ministers and churches, and the Secretary be instructed to draw a draft on the Conference Fund to pay for the same.

It was moved and carried that the Woman's Missionary Conference and Christian Missionary Association be requested to pay the Conference Fund their proportionate part for the printing of their minutes.

It was moved and carried that the Conference memorialize the next session of the Southern Convention to include an apportionment of the Orphanage in the list of the regular Conference Apportionments; and that Special Offerings by churches, Sunday school classes, and monthly offerings by the Sunday schools for Missions, Elon College, Orphanage and Superannuation be credited on the respective Conference Apportionments of the local church.

Report of Committee on Memoirs was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

We are thankful to Providence that no minister or layman officer of the Conference has been called during the past year to answer the last summons.

W. E. MACCLENNY, *Chmn.*

Report on Superannuation read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

A true minister of the Gospel is a servant. A servant of man and of God. He serves primarily not for material compensation but for the glory of serving. Christ said: "I came not to be ministered unto but to minister and to give my life a ransom for many." And again: "As the Father hath sent me, even so send I you." They were to go and as they went they were to go without script or purse depending upon the liberality of the people to whom they went for the necessities of life.

The church as a rule has been faithful to this trust but not in sufficient amounts to enable her ministry to provide against the needs of infirmity, or retirement. Their needs must be provided for through sources other than salary payments.

A great many denominations have met these needs by raising funds for investments, the income from which is allocated to their needy ministers and their families.

The Congregational Church of which we are a part has created the Pilgrim Memorial Fund to which ministers and churches contribute specified amounts and from which ministers receive liberal allowances at the age of retirement or the failure of health. The church through its Board of Ministerial Relief also receives voluntary contributions to what is called the Christmas Fund for Ministerial Relief. These funds are used for emergencies and the needs of ministers and their families who have not the forethought or the opportunity to join the Pilgrim Fund.

All ministers belonging to the Christian wing of our United Church/ ordained since 1932 are eligible to join the Pilgrim Fund. All of our ministers not eligible for the Pilgrim Fund are provided for through Conference Apportionments and the Christmas Fund.

The following Resolutions are offered:

1. That all ministers belonging to the Christian wing of our United Church eligible for membership in the Pilgrim Fund be urged to join.

2. That all of our churches be urged to contribute to the Christmas Fund that our needy ministers and their families may be adequately provided for.

3. That we request the Board of Superannuation of the Southern Convention to bring the matter and importance of the Christmas Fund to the attention of the churches and request liberal offerings, as our need is increasing.

L. E. SMITH, *Chairman*.

It was moved and carried that the business of Conference be completed before lunch.

Report of the Committee on Evangelism was read by Rev. O. D. Poythress, chairman. Discussion by Revs. J. G. Truitt, I. W. Johnson and O. D. Poythress. The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

We, your Committee on Evangelism, submit the following report:

The chief aim and business of the Church of Jesus Christ should be to win souls for Christ. Our Lord and Saviour came all the way from heaven to earth "to seek and to save that which was lost." Just before He left the disciples to go back to His Father's house, He said: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

We believe that if the Church will arise and obey the above marching orders of the Captain of her salvation, she will again glow, grow and go. We recommend the following:

1. A greater zeal, increased effort, and more complete consecration to this, the vital work of the church, recognizing that no church ever failed who majored in this altogether important work and will of God.

2. We recommend that every church in our Conference so far as may be possible, conduct an evangelistic meeting at least once every year, using such methods as may best be suited to the individual church or field.

3. We suggest that our ministers study the lives and works of such great evangelists as Spurgeon, John Knox, Whitefield, Moody, Chapman, Sunday, Smith, Kernahan and others.

4. That the idea of personal evangelism be always kept before the members of our churches, that there may be present in our services the faith that people may be saved and unite with the church at our regular services as well as during special evangelistic campaigns.

O. D. POYTHRESS,

S. W. PHILLIPS,

J. H. WARREN,

Committee.

It was moved and carried that special prayer led by Dr. Elwood W. Jones be offered for the family of Rev. H. A. Glauss in the injury and bereavement sustained in a terrible automobile accident yesterday near Franklin; and that Dr. E. W. Jones convey a message of sympathy to the stricken family.

Report of Committee on Place for Next Session was submitted by Mrs. J. A. Williams, and it was moved and carried that the invitation of South Norfolk be accepted as the place for next session.

Report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by Rev. R. E. Brittle, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Having enjoyed to the fullest extent the fellowship and inspiration of this session of Conference, and having had our lives enriched by being here, therefore be it resolved:

1. That we express, by rising vote of thanks, our appreciation to the pastor and members of Franklin Christian Church for their gracious spirit of hospitality shown us during our stay in their midst.

2. We commend the officers of this Conference for the faithful pursuit of their duties during the past year and this session of Conference and pledge our loyalty and cooperation for the future.

3. That we thank all those who have appeared on the program for the information and inspiration they have given us.

4. We would express our appreciation to the press for the liberal space used in publishing the daily proceedings of our Conference for the profit and information of our constituency and the public at large.

5. That we go on record as opposed to war, and that it be branded as cruel and destructive, and that we stop blessing war.

6. That we as ministers and laymen go back to our local churches determined to do more and greater things in the future for the cause of righteousness.

R. E. BRITTLE,
MRS. I. W. JOHNSON,
Committee.

Rev. G. O. Lankford was presented to the Conference.

The President announced the appointment of the following Standing Committees for the ensuing year:

Executive—R. Lee House, I. W. Johnson, N. G. Newman.

Education—I. W. Johnson, H. S. Hardcastle, J. G. Truitt, F. C. Lester, W. M. Jay.

Home Missions—J. E. West, J. F. Morgan, W. M. Jay, E. L. Beale.

Foreign Missions—E. W. Jones, T. F. Wright, Mrs. R. T. Bradford, Mrs. J. G. Truitt.

Christian Education—J. E. McCauley, W. H. Baker, F. C. Lester, Carl R. Key.

Religious Literature—Joe French, A. L. Granger, Jr., Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Mrs. W. B. Williams.

Evangelism—J. G. Truitt, R. E. Brittle, O. F. Poythress, O. D. Poythress, Aubrey C. Todd.

Stewardship—R. A. Whitten, J. H. Warren, G. A. Pearce, W. H. Garman.

Temperance and Moral Reform—H. S. Hardcastle, S. W. Phillips, Charles Eldred Shelton.

Ministerial Ethics—N. G. Newman, M. J. W. White, M. W. Hollowell.

Superannuation—L. E. Smith, J. A. Williams, J. M. Darden, Dr. J. E. Rawles.

Apportionments—A. L. Jolly, Dr. J. W. Manning, J. T. Kernodle.

Collector—R. C. Norfleet.

Place of Meeting—Mrs. J. A. Williams.

Memoirs—W. E. MacClenny.

Historian—W. E. MacClenny.

It was moved and carried that the Report of Committee on Finance be submitted to the Executive Committee, for approval, provided the report is not ready before adjournment.

The Secretary was authorized to receive the Funds from the Collector and transmit same to the Treasurer.

In the absence of two members of the Committee on Finance, Dr. W. M. Jay was added to the Committee to check the Report of the Collector.

It was moved and carried that the retiring President, Dr. N. G. Newman; Vice President, Dr. J. W. Manning, and Assistant Secretary,

Rev. J. F. Morgan, be given a rising vote of thanks for their efficient and faithful service.

Rev. Robert Lee House, President and Mr. W. H. Baker, Assistant Secretary were duly installed in their respective offices.

The Committee on Finance reported that they had found the Report of the Collector correct and the report was adopted. Total collections, in cash, \$5,595.68.

The following Report of the Committee on Finance was received after the adjournment of Conference, checked by the Secretary and found to correspond with the other records and reports.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance begs leave to submit the following report. We have examined the report of W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer, and find same correct.

We recommend the payment of the following amounts from the Conference Fund:

Dr. I. W. Johnson, Secretary, salary	\$ 50.00
Dr. I. W. Johnson, postage and stationery	6.85
Central Publishing Co., programs	4.00
Total	\$ 60.85

Total Conference Apportionments collected at this session of Conference, and reported by R. C. Norfleet, Collector,—\$5,595.68, which has been divided as follows:

Conference Home Missions	\$1,204.13
Conference Fund	272.75
Convention Fund	1,453.82
Convention Home Missions	596.85
Foreign Missions	541.85
Elon College Fund	1,072.65
Superannuated Fund	289.21
Christian Education	164.42
Total	\$5,595.68

We recommend that the Secretary be instructed to forward drafts to Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treasurer Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches for the Convention Fund, Convention Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Elon College Fund, Superannuated Fund and Christian Education.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. MANNING,

S. T. HOLLAND,

S. W. PHILLIPS,

Committee.

Rev. R. T. Grissom, missionary in Carroll County, Va., told something of his work and was given a vote of thanks.

Minutes of today read and approved.

Closing devotional service conducted by Rev. Joe French.

On motion Conference adjourned to meet Wednesday before the First Sunday in November, 1936, with So. Norfolk Christian Church.

Benediction by Dr. N. G. Newman.

ROBERT LEE HOUSE, *President,*

I. W. JOHNSON, *Secretary,*

W. H. BAKER, *Asst. Secretary.*

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

R. E. Brittle—Churches in charge: Cypress Chapel, Bethlehem, Union (Sou). Sermons, 172; conversions, 48; members received, 58; marriages, 20; addresses, 3; baptisms, 32; visits, 1,325; funerals, 29; salary received, \$1,350.00. Same fields next year.

Elisha Bradshaw—Church in charge: Mt. Carmel. Sermons, 25; marriages, 2; visits, 100; funerals, 5; salary, \$240.00.

H. G. Council, Jr.—Student William and Mary College: sermons, 10; supply.

Warren H. Denison—Asst. Secty. General Council. Sermons and addresses 196; funerals, 2; salary, \$3,300.00. Traveled 18,650 miles in eleven states.

Albert R. Flowers—No charge. Engaged in Sunday School and Christian Endeavor work—emphasizing educational work.

Jas. L. Foster—Churches in charge: Oak Level, Newsom's Chapel (Mission). Sermons, 20; members received, 1; baptisms, 1; visits, 48; salary received, \$150.00. Same field next year.

Joe E. French—Churches in charge: Ocean View, Berea (Norfolk); sermons, 112; conversions, 17; members received, 22; marriages, 3; baptisms, 22; visits, 1,104; funerals, 12; salary received, \$1,175.00. Same field for next year.

W. H. Garman—Church in charge: Old Zion. Sermons, 206; conversions, 43; members received, 32; marriages, 21; addresses, 6; baptisms, 16; visits, 658; funerals, 28; salary, \$1,804.00.

Carr E. Gerringer—Churches in charge: Antioch, Isle of Wight, Oak Grove, New Lebanon: Sermons, 94; conversions, 18; members received, 21; marriages, 2; addresses, 1; baptisms, 9; visits, several; funerals, 11; salary received, \$708.25.

A. Lanson Granger, Jr.—Churches in charge: Auburn; Asst. First Greensboro, June—September; sermons, 55; conversions, 7; members received, 8; addresses, 4; visits, 300; salary received, \$300.00.

Howard S. Hardcastle—Church in charge: Christian Temple; sermons, 120; conversions, 27; members received, 34; marriages, 11; baptisms, 21; visits, 600; funerals, 26; salary received, \$2,700.00 and parsonage. Same field for next year.

W. D. Harward—No charge, unable to serve.

Robert Lee House—Church in charge: Newport News; sermons, 143; conversions, 10; members received, 21; marriages, 5; addresses, 10; baptisms, 10; visits, 475; funerals, 8; salary, \$1,800.00.

W. M. Jay—Churches in charge: Holland, Damascus, Eure. Sermons, 93; conversions, 8; members received, 14; marriages, 3; addresses, 5; baptisms, 8; visits, 450; funerals, 19; salary received, \$1,352.00 and parsonage.

I. W. Johnson—Churches in charge: Berea (Nansemond), Liberty Spring, Oakland. Sermons, 75; conversions, 25; members received, 36; marriages, 114; addresses, 12; baptisms, 20; visits, 400; funerals, 15; salary received, \$1,600.00. Same field for next year.

Elwood W. Jones—Churches in charge: Franklin, Johnson's Grove. Sermons, 93; conversions, 8; members received, 10; marriages, 2; addresses, 12; baptisms, 10; visits, 500; funerals, 10; salary received, \$1,900.00 and parsonage. Same field next year.

Carl R. Key—Church in charge: Holland. (Since Sept. 1, 1935.) Sermons, 9; converts, 6; members received, 8; visits, 100; salary, \$125.00.

L. L. Lassiter—No charge.

F. C. Lester—Church in charge: First Norfolk. Sermons, 100; conversions, 24; members received, 24; marriages, 6; addresses, 100; baptisms, 25; visits, 200; funerals, 12; salary received, \$1,200.00 and parsonage. Same field next year.

T. N. Lowe—Church in charge: Hopewell. Sermons, 153; conversions, 7; members received, 10; baptisms, 6; visits, 1,119; funerals, 9; salary, \$375.84.

J. E. McCauley—Church in charge: First, Richmond. Sermons, 157; conversions, 6; members received, 7; marriages, 6; addresses, 7; baptisms, 6; visits, 1,160; funerals, 8; salary, \$1,800.00.

W. C. Moore—Epworth Mission, Del.; members received, 6; baptisms, 20; funerals, 12; sermons, unknown.

J. F. Morgan—Church in charge: Rosemont. Sermons, 152; conversions, 11; members received, 12; marriages, 7; addresses, 10; baptisms, 8; visits, 1,300; funerals, 14; salary, \$1,590.00.

Durant D. Nash—No charge. Supplied for other ministers in Concord, Kanapolis, Lexington and Roberts, N. C. Sermons, 18; conversions, 6; addresses, 10, visits, 200; funerals, 4.

N. G. Newman—Churches in charge: Holy Neck, Windsor. Sermons, 76; conversions, 12; members received, 14; marriages, 1; baptisms, 13; visits, 170; funerals, 13; salary, \$1,530.00.

G. A. Pearce—Churches in charge: Wakefield, Burton's Grove, Barrett's, Ivor. Sermons, 78; members received, 6; addresses, 1; visits, 607; funerals, 7; salary (incomplete) \$532.87.

S. W. Phillips—Elm Avenue, Portsmouth. Sermons, 326; members received, 9; addresses, 12; baptisms, 7; visits, 250; funerals, 2; salary, \$1,026.93.

O. D. Poythress—Church in charge: South Norfolk. Sermons, 173; conversions, 20; members received, 27; marriages, 30; addresses, 10; baptisms, 18; visits, 1,222; funerals, 43; salary, \$2,080.00.

J. M. Roberts—Churches in charge: Sarem, Union (Surry). Sermons, 35; marriages, 4; funerals, 10; salary, \$156.00.

H. E. Rountree, Lieut. Comdr. (CHC) U. S. N.—Number services, 50; communion, 4; addresses, 12; baptisms, 8; members received, 6; funerals, 1; song fests, 107; visits to ships, 122; choir rehearsals, 28; conversions, 10.

L. E. Smith—Church in charge: Elon Community Church. Sermons, 53; conversions, 3; members received, 10; marriages, 1; addresses, 14; baptisms, 5; visits, 160; funerals, 2; salary, \$900.00 and parsonage.

Aubrey C. Todd—Supply Work—Student at Elon College. Sermons, 76; conversions, 31; addresses, 3; visits, 118.

John G. Truitt—Church in charge: Suffolk. Sermons, 122; conversions, 27; members received, 35; marriages, 39; addresses, 54; baptisms, 19; visits, 1,270; funerals, 44; salary, \$3,000.00 and parsonage.

J. H. Warren—No charge. Sermons, 23; baptisms, 12; marriages, 7; addresses, 14; funerals, 6; visits, 137.

R. A. Whitten—Churches in charge: First Portsmouth, Mt. Zion. Sermons, 116; conversions, 21; members received, 26; marriages, 8; addresses, 13; baptisms, 16; funerals, 10; salary, \$1,900.00.

T. Fred Wright—Churches in charge: Waverly, Spring Hill, Centerville. Sermons, 84; conversions, 8; members received, 8; marriages, 4; addresses, 4; baptisms, 6; visits, 612; funerals, 7; salary, (not complete).

CHURCH STATISTICS—EASTERN

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Membership Reported Last Year.	Members Received During Year.	Present Membership.	Conference Home Missions.	Conference Fund.
1. Antioch.....	C. E. Gerringer....	Mrs. W. E. Garrison, Windsor, Va.....	134	161	\$ 10.00	\$ 5.00	
2. Barrett's.....	Geo. A. Pearce.....	P. B. Barrett, Sedley, Va.....	81	81			
3. Berea, Nansemond.....	I. W. Johnson.....	Mrs. H. P. Harrell, Driver, Va.....	89	4 90	25.00	4.00	
4. Berea, Norfolk.....	Joe French.....	M. W. Hollowell, Portsmouth, Va.....	208	22 222	30.00	5.00	
5. Bethlehem.....	R. E. Brittle.....	J. W. Folk, Suffolk, Va.....	374	25 395	40.00	10.00	
6. Burton's Grove.....	Geo. A. Pearce.....	E. W. Carroll, Wakefield, Va.....	51	51			
7. Centerville.....	T. Fred Wright.....	J. L. Moss, Disputanta, Va.....	74	5 76	2.00	3.00	
8. Christian Temple.....	H. S. Hardcastle.....	Herman Capps, Norfolk, Va.....	824	33 839	150.00	20.00	
9. Cypress Chapel.....	R. E. Brittle.....	C. W. Rountree, Cypress Chapel, Va.....	287	27 310	9.00	5.00	
10. Damascus.....	W. M. Jay.....	J. E. Corbitt, Sunbury, N. C.....	157	2 159	12.50	5.00	
11. Dendron.....	None.....	W. S. Barrett, Dendron, Va.....	47	2 48	5.00	3.00	
12. Elm Avenue.....	S. W. Phillips.....	B. P. Deans, Portsmouth, Va.....	123	11 60	15.00	5.00	
13. Eure.....	W. M. Jay.....	J. H. Lilley, Eure, N. C.....	350	10 353	5.00	5.00	
14. First, Norfolk.....	F. C. Lester.....	W. J. Thomas, Norfolk, Va.....	302	24 315	20.00	10.00	
15. First, Portsmouth.....	R. A. Whitten.....	B. L. Bowles, Portsmouth, Va.....	232	16 245	40.00	10.00	
16. First Richmond.....	J. E. McCauley.....	D. W. Darden, Richmond, Va.....	153	7 155			
17. Franklin.....	E. W. Jones.....	Samuel Bradshaw, Franklin, Va.....	266	10 276	73.00	25.00	
18. Holy Neck.....	N. G. Newman.....	A. L. Norfleet, Holland, Va.....	323	14 326	40.00	10.00	
19. Holland.....	Carl R. Key.....	E. J. Norfleet, Holland, Va.....	407	11 400	74.00	15.00	
20. Hopewell.....	T. N. Lowe.....	Mrs. G. A. Robertson, Hopewell, Va.....	150	13 152			
21. Isle of Wight.....	C. E. Gerringer.....	M. T. Whitley, Windsor, Va.....	28	14 41	10.00	3.00	
22. Ivor.....	Geo. A. Pearce.....	Mrs. J. S. Bryant, Ivor, Va.....	28	6 34			
23. Johnson's Grove.....	E. W. Jones.....	Mrs. B. F. Hancock, Sedley, Va.....	90	7 89	3.00	1.00	
24. Liberty Spring.....	I. W. Johnson.....	F. F. Brinkley, Suffolk, Va.....	350	7 356	40.00	10.00	
25. Mt. Carmel.....	Elisha Bradshaw.....	Mrs. Mattie Cox, Walters, Va.....	158	10 166	10.00	5.00	
26. Mt. Zion.....	R. A. Whitten.....	Mrs. J. L. Gray, Eclipse, Va.....	45	9 54	2.50	5.00	
27. New Lebanon.....	C. E. Gerringer.....	Ollie V. Cokes, Elberon, Va.....	71	2 73	8.75	4.75	
28. Newport News.....	R. L. House.....	D. H. Lawson, Newport, News, Va.....	321	21 340	80.00	15.00	
29. Ocean View.....	Joe French.....	Miss Hattie V. Miles, Ocean View, Va.....	85	83	10.00	5.00	
30. Oakland.....	I. W. Johnson.....	W. G. Saunders, Jr., Chuckatuck, Va.....	311	25 332	35.00	5.00	
31. Oak Grove.....	C. E. Gerringer.....	H. V. Beamon, Corapeake, N. C.....	106	7 113			
32. Old Zion.....	W. H. Garman.....	W. W. Starnes, Norfolk, Va.....	593	20 413			
33. Rosemont.....	J. F. Morgan.....	Miss Lowrine V. Halstead, Buell, Va.....	377	12 383	60.00	10.00	
34. Suffolk.....	J. G. Truitt.....	J. D. McClenny, Suffolk, Va.....	1374	35 1378	300.00	30.00	
35. Spring Hill.....	T. F. Wright.....	Mrs. E. B. Richardson, Waverly, Va.....	63	63	10.00	5.00	
36. Sarem.....	J. M. Roberts.....	Herman Smith, Whaleyville, Va.....	37	34	5.00	3.00	
37. South Norfolk.....	O. D. Poythress.....	C. E. Hollowell, So. Norfolk, Va.....	554	27 571	60.00	10.00	
38. Union, S'hampton.....	R. E. Brittle.....	R. H. Joyner, Sr., Franklin, Va.....	158	1 157	5.38	5.00	
39. Union, Surry.....	J. M. Roberts.....	R. T. Brittle, Dendron, Va.....	49	1 49	5.00	3.00	
40. Wakefield.....	Geo. A. Pearce.....	A. H. Spivey, Wakefield, Va.....	93	2 94			
41. Waverly.....	T. F. Wright.....	R. T. West, Waverly, Va.....	230	2 227	10.00	5.00	
42. Windsor.....	N. G. Newman.....	J. G. Roberts, Windsor, Va.....	100	18 118	30.00	5.00	
43. Epworth (Mission).....	W. C. Moore.....				2.00	2.00	
44. Hobson.....		T. H. Beale, Hobson, Va.....	5	5			
Totals.....			9858	456 9887	\$1237.13	\$ 272.75	

VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

Convention Fund.	Convention Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Elon College Fund.	Superannuation Fund.	Christian Education	Orphanage.	Pastor's Salary.	Woman's Missionary Societies.	Other Benevolences.	Other Expenses.	Total Raised for All Purposes.	Value of Church Property.
\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 1.52	\$ 4.00		\$ 3.00	\$ 204.45	\$ 10.00		\$ 98.00	\$ 449.95	\$ 2,500
25.00	3.52	3.53	21.72	6.00	5.00	60.00	500.00	100.00		473.00	1,552.00	15,000
35.00	11.00	11.00	20.00	10.00	3.00	51.00	500.00	54.00	\$ 34.00	280.00	1,297.00	5,000
5.00	36.13	40.00	66.08	10.00	4.40	65.60	600.00	283.00	53.00	470.00	1,891.00	18,000
			16.00			125.00				16.00	157.00	500
2.00	2.00	2.00	4.00	1.78		5.00	97.50		5.00		132.22	1,000
225.00	269.17	269.18	409.66	88.41	40.00	281.00	2,700.00	954.00	160.00	10,360.00	17,498.96	250,000
8.00	4.21	4.21	20.64			76.77	600.00	185.00	102.00	1,619.00	2,635.17	20,000
22.50			60.00			5.15	283.45	76.00	21.00	50.00	321.00	1,500
5.00	14.52	14.53	26.22	12.09	2.00	32.76	35.00	85.00		80.00	487.86	2,000
20.00	12.38	12.39				32.06	1,026.93	40.00	106.00	174.00	2,063.59	16,000
	5.00	23.00	40.00			23.00	190.00	60.00	19.00	75.00	445.00	2,500
20.00	15.00	10.00	10.00	22.98	5.00	25.00	1,200.00	103.00	32.00	560.00	2,326.00	40,000
50.00	62.50	62.50	78.00	30.00	10.00	77.36	1,800.00	205.00		1,465.00	5,288.00	75,000
	24.56	24.56	35.97	8.00	4.11	74.43	1,800.00	50.00		6,581.00	8,862.00	178,000
85.00	85.00	85.00	192.00	35.00	15.00	90.29	1,800.00	310.00		1,931.00	4,949.00	40,000
50.00	50.00	50.00	150.00	30.00	10.00	149.39	1,200.00	358.00	108.00	658.00	3,185.00	12,000
85.00	85.00	85.00	239.50	35.00	15.00	204.74	1,285.00	250.00		3,925.00	6,172.00	35,000
						3.21	159.07	10.00	6.00	58.00	681.00	7,000
10.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	1.00	1.00	6.00	150.00	10.00		65.00	281.00	3,000
			12.00				57.50			28.00	98.00	5,500
3.00	2.00	2.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	8.55	100.00		11.00		140.00	2,000
50.00	50.00	50.00	157.00	30.00	10.00	54.00	600.00	305.00	50.00	325.00	2,016.00	20,000
10.00	15.72	15.72	17.73	11.72	3.00	81.30	240.00	121.00	50.00	65.00	960.00	5,000
2.50						4.00	100.00			22.00	136.00	2,000
11.50	10.90	10.90	7.00			21.00	90.00	20.00	78.00	77.00	531.00	2,500
85.00	85.00	141.84	46.10	10.73	15.00	84.64	1,800.00			636.00	5,612.00	30,000
12.00	14.11			2.15	2.00	6.28	237.82	30.00		83.00	725.00	4,500
40.00	40.00	40.00	100.00	20.00	10.00	43.00	500.00	95.00		325.00	1,410.00	15,000
							150.00	100.00		15.00	528.00	2,500
		68.00				69.12	1,804.00		161.00	701.00	3,637.00	15,000
70.00	139.00	139.00	175.00	25.00	5.00	758.00	1,590.00	244.00	50.00	895.00	4,950.00	35,000
440.00	440.00	440.00	989.00	150.23	35.00	636.86	3,000.00	936.00	251.00	4,150.00	18,634.00	180,000
13.00	12.00	12.00	30.00	10.00	3.00	12.29	120.00	12.00		18.00	317.00	2,500
5.00	5.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	2.00		60.00			5.00	105.00	1,000
60.00	10.00	10.00	35.00	10.00	5.00	95.00	2,154.85	150.00	324.00	1,909.00	5,910.00	100,000
3.32			2.00		2.00	16.91	150.00				249.00	1,000
5.00	5.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	2.00		80.00				131.00	500
	10.39	10.39	37.00			21.87	333.34	56.00		60.00	509.00	5,000
	48.99	48.99	120.62	3.25	3.10	85.89	960.00		35.00	345.00	2,212.00	16,000
35.00	34.40	34.41	57.92	8.55	5.00	96.42	360.00	139.00	25.00	228.00	1,367.00	5,000
1.00											5.00	
												1,000
\$1493.82	\$1645.86	\$1782.62	\$3261.78	\$ 586.89	\$ 217.61	\$3365.89	\$30,752.96	\$5351.00	\$1659.00	\$38,825.00	\$ 113,995.42	\$1,144,500

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—EASTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Total Enrollment.	Total Amount Raised During Year.
1. Antioch.....	J. T. Godwin, Windsor, Va.....	10	79	\$ 75.51
2. Barrett's.....	J. Q. Hancock, Sedley, Va.....	8	63	47.07
3. Berea, Nansemond.....	W. H. Brinkley, Driver, Va.....	9	124	192.45
4. Berea, Norfolk.....	E. E. Waterfield, Hickory, Va.....	15	107	198.21
5. Bethlehem.....	W. B. Byrd, Suffolk, Va.....	35	316	350.70
6. Burton's Grove.....	E. W. Carroll, Wakefield, Va.....	7	39	40.00
7. Centerville.....	G. W. Bain, Disputanta, Va.....	9	25	27.75
8. Christian Temple.....	E. E. Snow, Norfolk, Va.....	52	456	1,420.10
9. Cypress Chapel.....	J. C. Lynch, Cypress Chapel, Va.....	16	216	455.92
10. Damascus.....	Rudolph Corbitt, Sunbury, N. C.....	9	72	84.36
11. Dendron.....	E. T. Atkinson, Dendron, Va.....	12	54	126.62
12. Elm Avenue.....	C. A. Wetherbee, Portsmouth, Va.....	12	80	375.00
13. Eure.....	T. A. Eure, Eure, N. C.....	7	77	35.00
14. First, Norfolk.....	C. E. Warrington, Norfolk, Va.....	22	245	300.00
15. First, Portsmouth.....	H. W. Lee, Portsmouth, Va.....	15	199	424.26
16. First, Richmond.....	F. W. Webb, Richmond, Va.....	18	142	259.63
17. Franklin.....	L. R. Jones, Franklin, Va.....	22	212	407.53
18. Holy Neck.....	J. E. March, Holland, Va.....	14	197	266.97
19. Holland.....	E. J. Norfleet, Holland, Va.....	19	222	426.18
20. Hopewell.....	F. W. Lowe, Hopewell, Va.....	11	169	60.00
21. Isle of Wight.....	M. T. Whitley, Windsor, Va.....	10	87	76.00
22. Ivor.....	B. H. Lane, Ivor, Va.....	7	37	42.50
23. Johnson's Grove.....	B. F. Hancock, Sedley, Va.....	6	52	37.76
24. Liberty Spring.....	I. T. Byrd, Holland, Va.....	16	220	312.00
25. Mt. Carmel.....	Otis V. Joyner, Walters, Va.....	23	172	315.00
26. Mt. Zion.....	G. B. Martin, Eclipse, Va.....	7	40	40.00
27. New Lebanon.....	Ollie V. Cockes, Elberon, Va.....	7	53	106.00
28. Newport News.....	W. B. Williams, Newport News, Va.....	35	345	458.16
29. Ocean View.....	J. F. Hodges, Ocean View, Va.....	12	117	109.39
30. Oakland.....	G. C. Griffin, Windsor, Va.....	12	140	229.03
31. Oak Grove.....	G. E. Rountree, Sunbury, N. C.....	7	77	50.00
32. Old Zion.....	W. W. Starnes, Norfolk, Va.....	19	323	476.73
33. Rosemont.....	H. R. Morrison, Norfolk, Va.....	25	295	1,018.00
34. Suffolk.....	W. S. Beamon, Suffolk, Va.....	57	715	1,519.81
35. Spring Hill.....	J. J. Faison, Waverly, Va.....	9	44	58.69
36. Sarem.....	No School.....			
37. South Norfolk.....	A. B. Creef, South Norfolk, Va.....	34	404	658.48
38. Union, S'hampton.....	S. M. Joyner, Franklin, Va.....	7	88	58.74
39. Union, Surry.....	R. T. Brittle, Dendron, Va.....	7	26	50.11
40. Wakefield.....	Raymond Kitchen, Wakefield, Va.....	8	82	141.16
41. Waverly.....	B. E. White, Waverly, Va.....	17	236	245.60
42. Windsor.....	Lorenzo Bailey, Windsor, Va.....	13	101	307.44
Totals.....		660	6,711	\$11,883.92

Proceedings of the Sixty-Fifth Annual Session of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference.

ANTIOCH CHRISTIAN CHURCH, RANDOLPH COUNTY, N. C.
NOVEMBER 6-7, 1935.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Western North Carolina Christian Conference convened in annual session on Wednesday morning, November 6, 1935, and was called to order at 10 o'clock by the President, Rev. T. E. White.

Song service was conducted by Rev. M. A. Pollard. Devotionals were conducted by Rev. T. J. Green.

Rev. D. R. Moffitt, pastor of the host church, heartily welcomed the conference to the church and the community. The response was given by Rev. John Q. Pugh.

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—John M. Allred, E. Carl Brady, H. V. Cox, W. J. Edwards, J. U. Fogleman, T. J. Green, W. N. Hayes, G. O. Lankford, Jas H. Lightbourne, B. H. Lowdermilk, D. R. Moffitt, M. A. Pollard, G. M. Talley, T. E. White, (A. L. Lucas and W. C. Martin were absent.)

Licentiate—John Q. Pugh.

Churches and Delegates.

Addor—

Antioch (C)—

Antioch (R)—E. F. Hayes, Ila Teague.

Bennett—Clifford Murray, Mrs. L. M. Murray.

Big Oak—Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Cole, Mrs. J. B. Cole, Mrs. E. K. Freeman.

Biscoe—Mrs. W. A. Cagle, Mrs. W. E. Asbill.

Brown's Chapel—H. B. Sanders, Mrs. Henry Connell.

Burlington—Mr. and Mrs. W. Luther Cates, John H. Isley, E. B. Rascoe.

Ether—E. P. Freeman, Neill Kearns.

Flint Hill—Ellis Williams, Quentin Britt.

Glendon—L. G. Phillips, A. L. Poe.

Grace's Chapel—J. F. Coley, J. H. Register, R. B. Coggin.

Graham—By report.

Graham Providence-Memorial—

Hamlet—E. C. Tennant, L. L. Honeycutt.

Hank's Chapel—By report.

High Point—B. P. Moffitt, Carl Culler.

East Green—High Point—Mrs. M. J. Bowen, Virginia Lee Hazzard.

Liberty—Mrs. Estelle Ray, Cyrus Shoffner.

Mt. Pleasant—Z. V. Brooks, J. L. Marks.

Needham's Grove—W. H. Scott, J. M. Needham.

New Center—I. F. Craven, A. F. Garner.

Parks Cross Roads—Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Dorsett, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Rightsell.

Patterson's Grove—

Pleasant Cross—J. H. Malone, Mrs. John M. Allred.

Pleasant Grove—Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Brown, Alson Brady, W. R. Cox.

Pleasant Hill—P. E. Coble, Alvah Ashley.

Pleasant Ridge—W. W. Davis, W. Carl Craven, J. H. Pell, G. C. Craven.

Pleasant Union—E. L. McDowell, A. V. McDowell, A. W. Harris.

Ramseur—W. M. Coward, Mrs. I. H. Faust.

Randleman—S. G. Robbins, W. G. Lamb.

Seagrove—Mrs. B. A. King.

Shady Grove—B. B. Martin, Sherrill Russell.

Shiloh—J. E. Stout, B. S. Moffitt, Mrs. Josie Rumley.

Smithwood—J. F. Humble, P. W. Humble, V. G. Coble.

Sophia—Mrs. S. M. Penn, Mrs. Troy Hall, Mrs. Harris Coltrane.

Spoon's Chapel—

Union Grove—W. E. Brown, W. R. Brown, F. B. Smith.

Zion—

Rev. T. E. White introduced the following visitors: Rev. John F. Hinshaw, New Testament Church, Aberdeen; Rev. S. M. Penn, Mrs. S. M. Penn, Mrs. Harris Coltrane, and Mrs. Troy Hall, all of the Sophia Parish Congregational Church.

Vice President E. Carl Brady was called to the chair. The report of the Program Committee was presented by the chairman, Rev. T. E. White, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

Your Committee on Program met in Ramseur, N. C., and prepared a tentative program for this session of conference. The program was published in *The Christian Sun* and copies were ordered for distribution at conference.

T. E. WHITE,
GEO. T. GUNTER,
JAS. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
Committee.

Rev. T. E. White submitted the Report of the Executive Committee, which was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We received an urgent request during the year from Rev. Carl Key, a licentiate of this conference, that we arrange with the Executive Committee of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference for his ordination. The Committee on Education of this conference, after due consideration and examination,

recommended that we proceed to grant his request. Information has been received that he was regularly ordained an elder by order of the Executive Committee of the Eastern Virginia Conference, acting upon our request.

Later, at his request, we granted him a letter, transferring his membership from this conference to the Eastern Virginia Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

T. E. WHITE,
E. CARL BRADY,
T. J. GREEN,

Committee.

The President appointed the following Special Committees:

Nominating Committee—Revs. E. Carl Brady, G. M. Talley, and I. H. Foust.

Committee on Resolutions—Revs. J. H. Lightbourne, M. A. Pollard.

Committee on Place—John R. Brown, Rev. T. J. Green.

Committee on Memoirs—Revs. T. J. Green, D. R. Moffitt, J. M. Allred.

Press Committee—Geo. T. Gunter.

Finance Committee—Cyrus Shoffner, W. R. Sellars.

Committee to Nominate Ministerial Delegates to the Southern Convention—Cyrus Shoffner, I. H. Faust.

Committee to Nominate Lay Delegates—Revs. J. H. Lightbourne, T. J. Green.

President White read the Constitution of the North Carolina Council of Churches. Motion made by Rev. E. C. Brady, and seconded by O. D. Lawrence, that the said constitution be adopted. Motion carried. The constitution is as follows:

CONSTITUTION OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES.

Article I.—Purpose.

The purpose of the North Carolina Council of Churches is:

1. To promote fellowship and mutual understanding among the followers of Christ constituting the several communions of North Carolina.
2. To serve as a medium of interchurch advice and counsel on matters affecting the progress of Christianity in the State.
3. To associate the communions in such joint service as may achieve more effectively the objectives of the Christian religion.

Article II.—Principles and Policies.

1. The Council shall exist as a voluntary association, and shall be without mandatory power in relation to the bodies choosing to make use of it as a channel of counsel and of joint Christian expression.

2. The complete autonomy and corporate integrity of each communion shall be mutually respected and safeguarded in all relations involving interdenominational fellowship and action.

3. The membership of the Council shall be composed by direct action of each communion, either by election, appointment, or nomination, as each body may determine.

4. Each cooperating communion shall be permitted two representatives on the Council for the first ten thousand communicant members, and one for each additional twenty thousand or major fraction thereof, up to fifty thousand, and beyond that there shall be one for each fifty thousand, or major fraction thereof, provided that a number not to exceed twenty per cent may be elected at large by the Council.

5. In relation to such national bodies as the International Council of Religious Education and the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, the North Carolina Council of Churches shall be autonomous.

Article III.—Meetings.

1. The annual meeting of the Council shall be held in January, at a time and place to be set by the Council or its Executive Committee. Due notice shall be given of the meeting.

2. Special meetings of the Council may be called by the president upon the authorization of the Executive Committee, or upon the written request of at least ten members of the Council, the purpose of the meeting being stated in the call. In a special meeting the Council may transact only such business as is specifically stated in the call.

3. Fifteen members of the Council shall constitute a quorum.

4. The Council shall determine its own rules of procedure.

Article IV.—Officers.

The officers of the Council shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary-Treasurer, elected annually by the Council upon the nomination of a Nominating Committee. All officers shall perform the usual duties pertaining to their offices, and shall continue in office until their successors have been duly elected.

Article V.—Executive Committee.

1. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Council, and nine members elected by the Council upon the nomination of the Nominating Committee. In 1937, three members of the Executive Committee shall be elected for a period of one year, three for two years, and three for three years; and thereafter, three shall be elected annually, due consideration being given to denominational distribution.

2. The Executive Committee shall elect its own officers.

3. Regular meetings of the Executive Committee shall be held twice each year. Special meetings may be called upon due notice.

4. Five members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

5. The Executive Committee shall make its own rules of procedure.

Article VI.—The Executive Staff.

The Executive Staff of the Council shall be composed of the executives of the cooperating communions or denominations working through the Council.

Article VII.—By-Laws.

The Council may make such By-Laws as it sees fit.

Article VIII.—Amendments.

The Constitution may be amended by the Council at any meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided the proposed amendment shall have been submitted in writing to the members of the Council at least ten days before the vote is taken.

Reception of churches.

Rev. H. V. Cox introduced three deacons of the Hamlet Church. The conference secretary was asked to read the following:

PETITION OF HAMLET CHURCH.

To the Western North Carolina Christian Conference, Greetings.—

We, the Hamlet Christian Church, desire to be admitted into membership of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference at this session.

Our church was organized on August 15, 1935, by Revs. T. E. White, H. V. Cox and T. J. Green, with thirteen charter members. Since organization we have taken in fourteen additional members, making a total of twenty-seven.

We have a corner lot within a block of East Hamlet School, and expect to begin work on the church building at once.

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. TENNANT,
L. L. HONEYCUTT,
G. W. NAPIER,

Board of Deacons.

Motion made and carried that the church be admitted and that the delegates thereof be enrolled.

Dr. Jas. H. Lightbourne introduced Rev. W. T. Scott, pastor of the United Church at Winston-Salem.

The following letter was read by Dr. Lightbourne.

To the Western N. C. Congregational-Christian Conference, Greetings—

This is to certify that the following Congregational-Christian Churches, of which Rev. S. M. Penn is the faithful pastor, are in good and regular standing in the Conference of Congregational Churches of the Carolinas, and are at their own request and in full harmony with our merger, recommended to your fellowship. Their request was granted by unanimous vote at a regular meeting of said conference at Charleston, S. C., on October 24-25, 1935, and I, as registrar, was duly authorized and instructed to prepare and advise you through the pastor or representatives of the churches included, which are: Sophia Community (Sophia), Flint Hill, Bailey's Grove (N. Asheboro), and Providence Chapel (Hemp).

Yours in a united faith,

M. J. SWEET, *Registrar.*

Motion made by Dr. Lightbourne, seconded by Rev. M. A. Pollard, that these churches be received and that the delegates be seated as members of the conference. Motion carried.

Rev. W. J. Edwards asked that East Green Church, High Point, be admitted to the conference. On motion of Rev. M. A. Pollard, seconded by Rev. E. C. Brady, the church was admitted and the delegates thereof enrolled. Rev. T. E. White spoke words of welcome to these churches and their delegates.

Hymn, "At the Cross."

Rev. E. Carl Brady, vice-president, was called to preside during the Annual Sermon, by the president. Rev. White used for his subject, "Partnership With God." The members of the conference were inspired and up-lifted by this splendid message from Pres. White.

Prayer by Rev. E. Carl Brady. Hymn, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee." The Communion Service was conducted by Rev. D. R. Moffitt, assisted by Revs. M. A. Pollard, T. J. Green and John Q. Pugh.

Rev. D. R. Moffitt announced that dinner would be served picnic-style, and extended a warm invitation to everyone.

After a hymn, "Jesus Paid It All," Pastor Moffitt pronounced the benediction.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 1:40 o'clock by Pres. White.

After the song service, led by Rev. M. A. Pollard, Rev. W. J. Edwards conducted the devotional service.

Rev. H. V. Cox introduced the following visiting brethren: Rev. Roy Phillips, pastor Ramseur Holiness Church, and Rev. John Kenyon, evangelist.

The president called for report of the Committee on Christian Endeavor, but the chairman was absent.

Dr. Jas. H. Lightbourne submitted the report of the Committee on Education. Moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Motion carried and report adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education offers the following report:

1. In September, Licentiate Carl R. Key applied to the committee to pass upon his qualifications for ordination, and if these were found satisfactory to recommend to the Executive Committee that the Eastern Virginia Conference be asked to proceed with his ordination. This action was taken, and Mr. Key was ordained at the Holland, Virginia, Christian Church, of which he is pastor.

2. We recommend that Rev. S. M. Penn, an elder in good standing of the former Conference of Congregational Churches of the Carolinas, be received as such in our conference, and his name be enrolled.

3. We recommend the ordination of Rev. John Q. Pugh, at such place and time as may be agreeable to him. This is in accord with the action of the conference at its last session.

4. In the case of John F. Hinshaw, an ordained deacon of the New Testament Church of God, Inc., we recommend that he apply to some Christian Church of his choice for membership, and that if he seeks licensure that he follow our custom and meet the requirements of our conference.

5. We would reaffirm our recognition of the value to North Carolina and to the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches, of Elon College, and we urge our churches and our constituency to support Elon College in every way possible.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
M. A. POLLARD,
T. J. GREEN,

Committee.

Rev. S. M. Penn was again introduced and received as a minister into full fellowship of the conference.

Pres. White announced that he had received a letter from Rev. W. C. Martin, who was absent from conference because of sickness.

Rev. E. Carl Brady was named an additional member to the Committee on Place for next conference.

Rev. T. E. White announced that he would represent *The Christian Sun* until a representative came. He addressed the conference on behalf of our church paper, *The Christian Sun*.

Rev. G. M. Talley read the report of the Committee on Religious Literature. Motion made and seconded that the report be adopted. Motion carried, and report adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

A clear understanding of the way of salvation is still the greatest need of the Church and Christian workers in these days of religious confusion. In such a day as this, when faith on every hand seems to tumble, there is a definite need for a study of the scriptures (II Timothy, 2: 15)—a study that will lead to a higher and more spiritual understanding of God.

The Bible is primarily a revelation of God, and is therefore from God. Its great purpose is to make God known, that man may be brought into communion with Him through the knowledge given.

We are living in a day when we allow ourselves to be too much occupied with secular literature. We begin to preach and teach on subjects, rather than from the great passages of the Word of God. Our preaching becomes topical rather than expository. The Bible, however, puts our thoughts into words, it fills our needs and it teaches us the only prayers that God can answer. The Word of God alone convicts of sin. The Word of God alone is able to make us wise unto salvation and bring us into a living knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. The Word of God alone is a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our pathway in the hour when sin has darkened our lives, in the hour when the doubts and criticisms of men have darkened our minds.

The Word of God must always be the foundation of our Church. Surely it must be the truth which we alone expound. Surely it must be first in our thinking and first in our reading.

We, your committee, recommend:

1. The prayerful and thoughtful reading of that perfect book, the Bible.

2. That our pastors, Sunday school superintendents and teachers keep in touch with the excellent literature published by men who believe in the Virgin Birth, the Blood Atonement, and the Bodily Resurrection of our Lord, and recommend it to our people of all ages.

3. That parents take special care in selecting literature for their children, published by those who accept the Bible as God's inspired Word.

4. That our members subscribe for and read our Church paper, *The Christian Sun*.

GEO. M. TALLY,

J. U. FOGLEMAN,

Committee.

Special music was rendered by the following quartet of ministers: M. A. Pollard, H. V. Cox, B. H. Lowdermilk, and Roy Phillips.

Motion made and carried that apportionments of last year be adopted. Last year's apportionments were as follows:

Antioch (C)	\$ 35.00	Needham's Grove	25.00
Antioch (R)	30.00	New Center	50.00
Bennett	35.00	Parks' Cross Roads	80.00
Big Oak	50.00	Patterson's Grove	30.00
Biscoe	27.50	Pleasant Cross	45.00
Brown's Chapel	50.00	Pleasant Grove	85.00
Burlington	550.00	Pleasant Hill	85.00
Ether	40.00	Pleasant Ridge	85.00
Flint Hill	15.00	Pleasant Union	25.00
Glendon	50.00	Ramseur	80.00
Grace's Chapel	40.00	Randleman	55.00
Graham	50.00	Seagrove	45.00
Graham Prov. Memorial	50.00	Shady Grove	35.00
Hank's Chapel	80.00	Shiloh	50.00
High Point	50.00	Smithwood	50.00
Liberty	25.00	Spoon's Chapel	25.00
Mount Pleasant	25.00	Union Grove	50.00
		Zion	50.00

The apportionments for the new churches are as follows:

East Green, High Point	\$ 10.00	Flint Hill (R)	40.00
Hamlet	10.00	Providence Chapel	10.00
Bailey's Grove	30.00	Sophia	50.00

Dr. Jas. H. Lightbourne stated that the Burlington Christian Church would use the apportionment plan as recommended by the Southern Convention.

Motion made and carried that conference adjourn until the evening session at 7 o'clock. Benediction by Dr. G. O. Lankford.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Rev. T. E. White called the conference to order at 7 o'clock. Rev. M. A. Pollard conducted the devotional service.

The Report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was read by Geo. T. Gunter. Motion made and seconded that report be adopted. Discussion of report by Rev. M. A. Pollard. The report was then adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Our Sunday School enrollment for the past year was about 92% of our church membership. This fact should help us to realize the importance of the Sunday School and its program of Christian training. Too many of our Sunday Schools meet in one room, and under such conditions teaching cannot be done effectively. Building classrooms would be a wise investment for such schools.

We are happy to report that a successful Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention was held at Pleasant Hill, in July. This annual convention should have the support of every pastor, superintendent, Christian Endeavor president, as well as others interested in the work.

Since our future church leaders must come from the Sunday School and other church organizations, we recommend:

1. That we seek to promote the interest of the Sunday School.
2. That all pastors and superintendents have their churches represented at the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention next year.
3. That we meet the request of our conference by sending an offering each month for Missions and the Orphanage, and each fifth Sunday for Elon College.
4. That each Sunday School plan to send at least one representative to the Elon Summer School of Leadership Training.
5. That we give our support to the State Sunday School Association by sending delegates to the meeting in Winston-Salem in February.
6. That each Sunday School try to have at least one training course for its workers during the year.

GEO. T. GUNTER,
J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
Committee.

The Christian Endeavor Society of Pleasant Hill Church presented the following program:

Song Service by Pleasant Hill Choir. Devotionals by Miss Ersula Fogleman. Miss Nellie Overman, leader, announced the subject for discussion: "What Christ Means to Me," and he then gave the leader's talk.

Question No. 1—"What Does Christ Mean to Me?" Rev. M. A. Pollard.

Question No. 2—"Why Does Christ Mean More to Some Than to Others?"

T. G. Andrews.

Question No. 3—"What Can Christ Mean to the Tempted?"Alva Ashley.
Special Song—"Let the Beauty of Jesus Be Seen in Me,"

Mrs. Bessie Fogleman and Misses Pearl and Pauline Carter.

Question No. 4—"What Can Christ Mean to the Sinner?" ..Miss Pauline Carter.

Question No. 5—"What Can Christ Mean to the Dying?" ..Miss Pearl Carter.

Question No. 6—"What Did Christ Mean to Paul?"Rev. J. U. Fogleman.

Question No. 7—"What Did Christ Mean to Leaders of Israel?" H. Overman.

The conference extended a rising vote of thanks to the visiting Christian Endeavor Society for their program.

Rev. T. E. White told of some of the values of a Christian Endeavor Society to a local church.

The report of the Committee on Social Service was submitted by Rev. J. U. Fogleman, and on motion, adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE.

In thinking of the question of Moral Reform, or Social Service, we find that it is as old as the human race. There has been an effort at both service and reform all down the ages. Amos was a prophet who championed social justice. He rebuked those of authority who were oppressing the poor and leading in idolatrous worship. He was interested in both his country and his fellowman.

Josiah, being a man of God, and willing to serve, went up to the Temple, taking all of the people of the land with him. He stood at the door of the Temple and read unto the people the Covenant of the Lord. He also destroyed the vessels that were made with which to worship Baal, and commanded all the people to keep the Passover unto the Lord and to worship Jehovah only.

We remember Daniel, not only for his great courage, but for his example in sobriety, temperance and modesty. He sought rather to suffer with his people of God than to defile his body and mind with the king's wines and meat. His life is truly an example for our living today.

Then there were Luther, Calvin, Knox, and others, whom we should remember for their noble service in seeking to improve the moral and spiritual welfare of mankind.

It is our opinion that the church at present, even our own denomination, is making some progress in serving for the betterment of God's people. We are busy building churches, training the youth, spreading the Gospel, sending out missionaries, winning souls, relieving poverty, crusading for peace, breaking down racial prejudice, championing equality, and fighting against the liquor traffic with some advancement in practically all of these fields. Yet realizing that God is depending on us to make victory and success sure, we your committee, recommend the following:

1. That a more constant walk and fellowship with God be practiced by every Christian.
2. That our daily lives be a true example for those about us.
3. That we cooperate in working for the common good of all.
4. That we oppose war from every possible view-point.
5. That we seek to eliminate both sin and crime from our midst.
6. That we do all within our power to stamp out the laxity, or freedom, in the traffic and use of liquor.
7. That we stand by the Constitution of the United States, and deplore the national destruction of the sources of our food and clothing supply.

J. U. FOGLEMAN, *Chairman,*
Committee.

Motion made and carried that conference adjourn until Thursday morning at 9:45 o'clock.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 9:45 by Rev. T. E. White. Hymn, "How Firm a Foundation." Rev. Geo. M. Tally conducted the devotional service, with prayer by Walter M. Coward.

Minutes of previous day were read, corrected and approved.

The report of the Committee on Evangelism was read by Rev. M. A. Pollard. While motion to adopt was pending, the report was discussed by Chairman Pollard. The report was then adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

Evangelism at its best, is Christianity in a state of transmission. If it were possible for every individual to realize that they were to be transmitters of forces whose source was beyond themselves, they being means by which and through which the voice of our Heavenly Father is to convert the world, then only would we find ourselves worthy of the name Christian.

No body of people has more to do with determining the fate of humanity than that which has in charge the education of the young. John the Baptist said of himself, "I am the voice." Such is the conception a man must have of himself, in order to be an effective, successful evangelist. Such a transmitter was Elisha. The prophet did have extraordinary personal endowments, but the most stupendous individual resources would not have sufficed. He cried unto the Lord, and he stretched himself upon the child. It was the double contact which accomplished the miracle. The prophet faced an inescapable responsibility. It is true that the child was not laid upon the bed by the mother, as was the son of the Shunamite woman. But Elijah took the child to his own room and laid him upon his bed. As the dead child was the responsibility of the prophet, so a dying age is ours.

The procedure of Elijah was the kind that a fastidious person might have refused to adopt. The refusal would have meant failure. One feels sure that we shall never arouse our generation from its deadly apathy but by the adoption of the like method. We have seen the waning of mass Evangelism, and we may be looking at the decline of visitation Evangelism. Mass Evangelism was too much mass, and visitation Evangelism is often too much visitation and too little Evangelism. We have to return, then, to the method of Elijah. Read the narrative again and note the passion of it. There is an ardor of abandonment of which most of us cool moderns would be heartily ashamed. The world is to be saved neither by a passionate ignorance, on the one hand, nor by an icy scholarship on the other. Roger Williams was said to be divinely mad. So is every one who brings great results to pass in the Kingdom. By passion we were saved, and only by passion can we validate and assist redemption. There is more in the matter of earnestness than in anything else if souls are to be saved. But the contact was dual. The prophet might have stretched himself for an indefinite period upon the lifeless form and have punished himself brutally as the priests of Baal. Nothing would have happened. He cried unto the Lord and he stretched himself upon the child. The action and the prayer must synchronize.

"I feel that we ministers are not putting within reach of our people the dynamic transforming experience of conversion. We may help people, but we help few." Such are the inducements of soul-winning that it is a marvel that every Christian is not engaged in it. But every Christian is not engaged in it; else there would not be the meager results. If one sings with a whole heart, "Jesus paid it all," he must pass on to the next line, "All to Him we owe." But whatever else Christians have given to their Lord, it is certain that few have given Him their influence. Let us ask the Lord to make of us life-changing members of His body, the Church. Already we have a vision for the Church. It was given us by its Creator and Founder, who so loved it that He purchased

it with His own blood. It is His body, His creation for the winning of the world. Once there was only one Christian, and He chose the method of personal evangelism for winning the world. He is the vine and we are the branches, and except we abide in Him we cannot bring forth fruit. To be life-changers, we must be members of His body. The early Church stressed witnessing for Him. How thankful we should be that the great apostle, Paul, brought out so clearly in his writings the duty of the Church. Then, too, the last words of our Lord, as recorded by St. Luke in Acts 1:8, are: "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Spirit is come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses of me, both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and to the uttermost parts of the earth." Can we doubt for one moment that the first duty of every Christian is to bear witness to Him? Any vision we have for the Church today is incomplete if lacking in these qualities of militancy and faith. A triumphant Christian fellowship can be created only in action and for action under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Evangelism takes us to Jesus. It proffers an experimental knowledge of Jesus; and there is no other knowledge of much worth. "He that doeth the will shall know the doctrine." He will also become acquainted with the Giver of the doctrine.

If obedience be "the organ of Spiritual knowledge"—and it certainly is—then those who do Christ's will and seek to find others for Him, will come to know Him best of all. Evangelism gains the fellowship; it also leads into the likeness. He who would win people to Jesus must run the same gamut which our Lord passed through. The acceptance of the soul-winner's career is a committal to the Saviour's discipline. That discipline involves the compassion He felt, sends upon such journeys as he went, and leads to a Cross like His. It may be that the prime reason why the Lord said "Ye shall be witnesses unto me," is that the attempt to witness reacts upon the character to make it like the subject of its witnessing. Soul-winning validates and confirms salvation. Under the Spirit, it is the weans by which one is sanctified.

M. A. POLLARD,
J. M. ALLRED,
B. H. LOWDERMILK,
Committee.

Rev. T. E. White spoke words of appreciation for the life and service of Mrs. W. H. Carroll, whose funeral service was being conducted at the Burlington Christian Church at the time the conference was in session. The conference stood in recognition of her life and work, and Rev. T. J. Green offered a prayer for the bereaved family.

Rev. J. L. Foster and Supt. Chas. D. Johnston were introduced and welcomed to conference.

"Our Orphanage" was the subject of an address by Supt. Johnston.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was submitted by Rev. E. Carl Brady. While motion to adopt was pending, Rev. A. L. Granger was introduced, and he delivered an address on Missions for Dr. Atkinson, who was not able to attend conference. The report on Foreign Missions was then adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Ever since the blood of righteous Abel cried unto God from the ground, there has been a growing feeling of man's responsibility for his fellowman. We do not have to ask, but know full well that we are not only our brother's material keeper, but that his blood will be required at our hands if we fail to hold up Christ before him. The fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man increases man's responsibility to include all the peoples of all races, conditions

and climes. Our task, therefore, increases as the years go by. Its size increases and its challenge presents itself to us most sincerely when we try to understand it in the light of the principles of the life of Christ.

In the Acts of the Apostles we have a glowing account of the early church. The highest and holiest mission of that infant church was to evangelize, and it began its task in such a way that had the zeal of the early church endured a few centuries, the world would perhaps have been saved in His love. There have been periods in our church when the zeal ebbed, when interest was low, but we believe that with the return of more prosperous times, our people will show more interest in the church and its task. We believe that our records will show that we are turning back to God, and that, having put our ears to the ground and having heard the still small voice, we are ready to say, "Speak, for thy servant heareth," "Here am I, send me." This is as it should be, for God loves a cheerful giver, and no man will ever be the poorer for having given, in the name and for the sake of our Lord, either to alleviate human suffering, eradicate ignorance, or build churches and send missionaries to those in need.

The spiritual tide of church life rises no higher than the current of its missionary activity—its foreign missionary activity in particular. The explanation of this is in the fact that missionary activity is in obedience to the command of our Lord and is purely spiritual in content and consequence.

We have our seasons of evangelistic zeal and fervor, because in such seasons we are seeking to share the life, light and love of our Lord with those about us. This same fervor and zeal may be emphasized and enlarged and made continuous through missionary activity, because in our missionary endeavor we are sharing with others His life and love. We grow strong in the grace and favor of our Lord only as we share Him. When the disciples came together to wait upon their Lord, and when they became willing to make Him known to others, Pentecost had come and a new epoch in the world's history and the life of mankind had begun. It has always been a new epoch in the life of the church and of history when missionary zeal has stirred the people of God and they have become willing to make sacrifices of time, effort and means, that they may share Him with others, even to the uttermost parts of the earth.

We may share our means and thus be benevolent; we may share our gifts and be charitable, but in Missions we rise above these things to share our Lord and His life with others, that His name, and not ours, be glorified. This is spiritual activity and leads a church to spiritual fervor and power. This Conference will have power at home when it shall rise to its high and holy privilege of sharing our Lord with those who know not his saving power.

There are sections of territory in foreign fields where the very rankest ignorance relative to the science of medicine and the knowledge of Christianity prevails. We must understand that our task here is a big one which challenges the best in each of us, but that the task in the homeland is relatively incomparable to the task of those who labor on foreign fields. Their task is made the more complicated because of some of our customs here both politically and religiously. Then, too, with churches built which are easily accessible to most of our people, it is next to impossible for us to understand missionaries' tasks when they are responsible, in many instances, for a half-million souls.

We note with pride that the American Board, which is in its 125th year of service, has 494 missionaries in active service; that there are 765 churches under its supervision; that it has 25 hospitals and 45 dispensaries; and that it has a foreign parish of 61,600,000 people.

Therefore, in order that our missionaries may go and stay unhampered and be free from criticism because of what we do, and, in order that those who early consecrated their lives to the task and who believe in their field—those who, because of early decision, chose and even now choose to remain among those whose souls are dear to them, may do so without want of physical substance, and, in order that the frontiers of Christian service may be carried

onward until the world be evangelized, we, your Committee on Foreign Missions, make the following recommendations:

1. That Sunday Schools take an offering once a month for Missions.
2. That all of our churches cooperate wholeheartedly with Dr. Atkinson, in keeping the missionary task and message before our people.
3. That pastors, as key men, so work at their task that they may not be found wanting when tested concerning their missionary zeal.
4. That at or near Easter, each church take an offering for Missions.
5. That our people be urged to read the *Missionary Herald*.
6. That we commend Dr. J. O. Atkinson for the Christ-like way he has dispersed information relative to the task confronting us.
7. That the women be encouraged by prayer and cooperation to carry on.
8. That the goal for Missions for the next year shall be the same as last year—one-third of the pastor's salary.

Respectfully submitted,

E. CARL BRADY,
G. M. TALLY,
D. R. MOFFITT,

Committee.

Rev. H. V. Cox reported for the committee on Home Missions. While motion to adopt was pending, the report was discussed by Revs. E. C. Brady and H. V. Cox. The report was then adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your committee met at Ramseur Christian Church on December 24, 1934, and out of the funds set aside for Home Mission Work by this conference, the following grants were approved: \$20.00 to Flint Hill Christian Church to help complete the church building at that place; \$85.00 to liquidate the church debt at Biscoe; \$50.00 to Bennett, to apply on the pastor's salary, and \$25.00 to Antioch Christian Church (Randolph), to help them in repairing and painting the church building.

Your committee has had more calls for help this year than last, and recommends that the conference set aside \$350.00 to go with our balance, which will give us around \$400.00 for Home Mission work. We recommend that the Hamlet Christian Church be given \$200.00 to help them on their church building when needed and the work has gone forward, and that the remainder be used in such places as the committee deems advisable after investigating their needs.

Respectfully submitted,

H. V. COX,
J. M. ALLRED,
T. J. GREEN,

Committee.

J. T. Kernodle, Managing Editor of *The Christian Sun*, and Mrs. Kernodle, were introduced and welcomed to conference. Mr. Kernodle apologized for being late, due to the weather, and then addressed the conference in behalf of our Church paper, *The Christian Sun*.

Rev. T. J. Green, reporting for the Committee on Place, stated that invitations had been received from Pleasant Grove, Needham's Grove, Big Oak and Brown's Chapel. Motion made and carried that the next conference meet with Needham's Grove Church, Moore County.

Rev. S. C. Harrell, President of the Southern Convention, and Mrs. Harrell were introduced and extended welcome to conference. Mrs. Harrell reported for the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Con-

ference, of which she is president. Mrs. Harrell voiced her appreciation of the work of the district leaders and for the support of the ministers.

On motion conference adjourned for lunch. Dr. Harrell pronounced the benediction.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

President White called conference to order at 1:30. Rev. J. M. Allred conducted the devotional service.

Rev. T. J. Green reported as follows for the Committee on Superannuation:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

We, your committee, request that the following names be continued on our list: W. N. Hayes, Mrs. G. R. Underwood and Mrs. L. W. Fogleman. We also recommend that each church take an offering for aged ministers at the Christmas time.

T. J. GREEN, *Chairman.*

On motion, report was adopted.

Report of Committee on Memoirs was submitted by Rev. T. J. Green. Motion made and seconded that report be adopted. Memorial prayer by Rev. T. J. Green. Report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

We are sad to chronical that since our last annual conference, our beloved brother in the ministry, Rev. A. K. Scotten, has passed away. But we feel that our loss is his eternal gain, and we bow in humble submission to the will of the Master who doeth all things well. For his kind and gentle disposition and Christian spirit he was much beloved by his family, the community in which he lived, and a host of friends. May the Lord comfort the hearts of all his friends, and may we all meet him in the better life.

T. J. GREEN,
J. M. ALLRED,
D. R. MOFFITT,

Committee.

The chairman named Revs. E. Carl Brady and H. V. Cox as an Ordaining Presbytery to assist him in the ordination service for John Q. Pugh.

"Elon College" was the subject of a splendid address by Rev. A. L. Granger.

The report of the Nominating Committee was submitted by Rev. E. Carl Brady, and was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

President, Rev. T. E. White; Vice-President, Rev. T. J. Green; Secretary, George T. Gunter; Treasurer, O. D. Lawrence; Member N. C. Council of Churches, Rev. Jas. H. Lightbourne.

Respectfully submitted,

E. CARL BRADY, *Chairman.*

The following lay delegates to the next session of the Southern Christian Convention were elected:

W. R. Brown, Paul E. Coble, W. H. Freeman, Mrs. I. H. Faust, Geo. T. Gunter, Junius H. Hardin, Vitus R. Holt, W. R. Rightsell, Cyrus Shoffner, W. L. Welch.

The following ministers were elected delegates to the Southern Christian Convention:

J. M. Allred, H. V. Cox, J. U. Fogleman, T. J. Green, G. O. Lankford, Jas. H. Lightbourne, B. H. Lowdermilk, S. M. Penn, M. A. Pollard, T. E. White.

Rev. M. A. Pollard read the report of the Committee on Resolutions, which was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, Your Committee on Resolutions, wish to submit the following:

1. That we express by a rising vote our sincere thanks to pastor, members and friends of the Antioch Church for the splendid hospitality extended the members and visitors of this conference.

2. That we express our appreciation to the officers of this session of conference for their efficient service in conducting so faithfully the business and work of this conference.

3. That we thank all those who have appeared on the program for the information and inspiration they have given us.

4. That our pastors and delegates return to their local fields with an inspired determination to carry out the recommendations and suggestions of this conference.

M. A. POLLARD, *Chairman*.

Address, "The Christian Sun," by Rev. Jas. L. Foster.

The vice-president, Rev. T. J. Green, was called to the chair.

The Treasurer, who was absent, was requested to make his report to the Executive Committee for approval, said report to be included in the minutes. His report is as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1934.		RECEIPTS.	
Nov. 7	Balance in treasury	\$	71.60
	Collections from churches for 1934		1,215.47
		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Nov. 8	To O. D. Lawrence, Treasurer	\$	5.00
11	To Geo. T. Gunter, secretarial service, stationery, postage, programs, etc.		30.06
23	To W. C. Wicker, Treasurer, S. C. C.		910.00
	To J. O. Atkinson, Home Mission fund		165.00
	To tax on checks06
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June 8	To Central Publishing Co. for ANNUALS		97.50
12	To Geo T. Gunter for postage, etc.		5.36
	Total disbursements		1,212.98
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	Balance in Treasury	\$	74.09
Nov. 6	Collected at Conference		1,216.35
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		Total in Treasury	\$ 1,290.44

Respectfully submitted,

O. D. LAWRENCE, *Treasurer*.

The Treasurer was authorized to pay the Secretary \$25.00 for secretarial services.

Motion made and carried that we purchase 200 copies of THE ANNUAL, and that they be distributed upon a pro-rata basis.

The chairman appointed the following Standing Committees:

Executive Committee—T. E. White, T. J. Green, J. H. Lightbourne.

Home Missions—H. V. Cox, J. M. Allred, T. J. Green.

Foreign Missions—E. Carl Brady, A. L. Lucas, G. M. Tally.

Religious Literature—G. M. Tally, J. M. Allred, D. R. Moffitt.

Education—Jas. H. Lightbourne, M. A. Pollard, S. M. Penn.

Evangelism—S. M. Penn, J. M. Allred, B. H. Lowdermilk.

Sunday School and Christian Endeavor—Geo. T. Gunter, M. A. Pollard, Alva Ashley.

Social Service—M. A. Pollard, J. U. Fogleman.

Apportionments—Cyrus Shoffner, J. H. Lightbourne.

Superannuation—J. Q. Pugh, D. R. Moffitt, Thos. Low.

Program—T. E. White, J. H. Lightbourne, S. M. Penn.

Motion made and carried that all necessary expenses be paid out of conference funds, and that the remainder be sent to Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treasurer of the Southern Convention.

All other business having been finished, the conference proceeded with the ordination of John Q. Pugh, as provided in the report of the Committee on Education. Rev. M. A. Pollard and Rev. T. J. Green conducted the candidate to the altar. Rev. T. E. White read the ordination service and gave the charge. Rev. E. Carl Brady offered the prayer, and Rev. H. V. Cox presented the Bible.

The minutes of the day's sessions were read and approved.

On motion, conference adjourned to meet on Wednesday after the first Sunday in November, 1936, at Needham's Grove Church, near Hemp, in Moore County, N. C., at 10 o'clock.

Benediction by Rev. T. E. White.

T. E. WHITE, *President*,
Sanford, N. C.

GEORGE T. GUNTER, *Secretary*,
Star Route, Denton, N. C.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS

John M. Allred—Churches: Randleman, Union Grove, Ether. Sermons, 64; conversions, 57; members received, 6; marriages, 8; funerals, 13; salary, \$404.33.

E. Carl Brady—Churches: Brown's Chapel, Needham's Grove. Sermons, 30; conversions, 20; members received, 8; baptisms, 4; pastoral visits, 50; funerals, 5; marriages, 2.

H. V. Cox—Church: Hamlet. Sermons, 50; conversions, 30; members received, 27; marriages, 2; baptisms, 8; funerals, 3; salary, \$100.

W. J. Edwards—Church: East Green in High Point. Sermons, 121; conversions, 25; members received, 23; marriages, 2; baptisms, 7; pastoral visits, several, salary, \$120.86.

J. U. Fogleman—No report.

T. J. Green—Churches: Shallow Ford, Mt. Bethel, Kallam Grove (All in N. C. and Va. Conference). Sermons, 60; conversions, several; members received, 1; marriages, 1; baptisms, 1; pastoral visits, 100; funerals, 9; salary, \$500.

W. N. Hayes—No charge.

G. O. Lankford—Inactive because of physical disability.

A. L. Lucas—No report.

James H. Lightbourne—Church: Burlington. Sermons, 126; conversions, 34; members received, 37; marriages, 7; addresses, 27; baptisms, 18; pastoral visits, 890; funerals, 16; salary (parsonage furnished) \$2,820.

B. H. Lowdermilk—Churches: Pleasant Union, Spoon's Chapel. Sermons, 70; conversions, 16; marriages, 3; addresses, 4; baptisms, 5; pastoral visits, 50; funerals, 4; salary, \$124.86.

W. C. Martin—No charge.

D. R. Moffitt—Churches: Pleasant Cross and Antioch (R.). Sermons, 30; conversions, 10; members received, 7; marriages, 1; funerals, 8.

Samuel M. Penn—Churches: Sophia, Flint Hill (R.), Bailey's Grove, Providence. Sermons, 151; conversions, 4; members received, 8; marriages, 6; addresses, 4; baptisms, 4; pastoral visits, 480; funerals, 10; salary (including parsonage) \$1,000.

M. A. Pollard—Churches: Smithwood, Liberty, High Point, Pleasant Hill. Sermons, 122; conversions, 18; members received, 18; marriages, 3; addresses, 12; baptisms, 14; pastoral visits, 612; funerals, 9.

Geo. M. Tally—Churches: Hank's Chapel, Ramseur, Parks Cross Roads, Shiloh, Seagrove, Big Oak, Christian Chapel. Sermons, 205; conversions, 89; members received, 49; marriages, 3; addresses, 9; baptisms, 54; funerals, 24; salary, \$953.38.

T. E. White—Churches: Pleasant Grove, Shady Grove, Biscoe, Bennett, Flint Hill (M). Sermons, 60; conversions, 5; members received, 5; marriages, 2; addresses, 12; baptisms, 5; pastoral visits, 200; funerals, 7; salary, \$323.49.

Licentiatees:

Carl R. Key—Graduated at Vanderbilt and supplied United Church, Raleigh, July-August. Sermons, 9; pastoral visits, 145; salary, \$75.00. (Granted letters of transfer to Eastern Va. Conference and was ordained by said Conference.)

John Q. Pugh—Church: New Center. Sermons, 30; conversions, 12; members received, 2; addresses, 14; funerals, 2; salary, \$48.06. (Ordained Nov. 7, 1935.)

CHURCH STATISTICS—WESTERN

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Membership Last Year.	Present Membership.
Antioch (C.).....	No Report.....			
Antioch (R.).....	D. R. Moffitt.....	Mrs. Melvin Cain, Bennett, N. C.....	66	73
Bennett.....	T. E. White.....	L. M. Murray, Bennett, N. C.....	21	21
Big Oak.....	G. M. Tally.....	D. E. Cole, Biscoe, N. C., R. 1.....	182	176
Biscoe.....	T. E. White.....	O. H. Lambert, Biscoe, N. C.....	57	37
Brown's Chapel.....	E. C. Brady.....	Mrs. Iola McDuffie, Spies, N. C.....	203	196
Burlington.....	J. H. Lightbourne.....	J. I. Somers, Burlington, N. C.....	685	707
Ether.....	J. M. Allred.....	Mrs. C. C. Phillips, Ether, N. C.....	94	94
Flint Hill.....	T. E. White.....	Mildred Williams, Star, N. C., R. 1.....	30	29
Glendon.....	J. A. Denton.....	J. C. Phillips, Goldston, N. C., R. 1.....	107	108
Grace's Chapel.....	J. A. Denton.....	Mrs. Ralph Foushee, Sanford, N. C.....	153	162
Graham.....	W. C. Wicker.....	J. D. Kernodle, Graham, N. C.....	27	23
Graham Prov-Mem.....	No Report.....		58	
Hamlet.....	H. V. Cox.....	Mrs. B. F. Franklin, Hamlet, N. C.....		27
Hank's Chapel.....	G. M. Tally.....	Ralph Riddle, Pittsboro, N. C.....	159	138
High Point.....	M. A. Pollard.....	Miss Johnsie Moffitt, 704 E. Commerce St.....	76	80
High Pt., E. Green.....	W. J. Edwards.....	Garnett Barnes, 625 Cable St.....		24
Liberty.....	M. A. Pollard.....	C. L. Bray, Liberty, N. C.....	25	25
Mount Pleasant.....	L. L. Wyrick.....	Z. V. Brooks, Vass, N. C.....	77	83
Needham's Grove.....	E. C. Brady.....	J. M. Needham, Steeds, N. C.....	87	90
New Center.....	J. Q. Pugh.....	Mrs. L. B. Craven, Seagrove, N. C.....	97	89
Parks Cross Roads.....	G. M. Tally.....	W. R. Rightsell, Ramseur, N. C.....	175	175
Patterson's Grove.....	No Report.....			
Pleasant Cross.....	D. R. Moffitt.....	Miss Ethel Malone, Asheboro, N. C.....	77	75
Pleasant Grove.....	T. E. White.....	J. M. Brown, Bennett, N. C.....	205	291
Pleasant Hill.....	M. A. Pollard.....	Paul E. Coble, Liberty, N. C., R. 3.....	201	202
Pleasant Ridge.....	J. F. Apple.....	G. C. Craven, Ramseur, N. C.....	162	160
Pleasant Union.....	B. H. Lowdermilk.....	Mrs. A. R. McDowell, Mechanic, N. C.....	41	38
Ramseur.....	G. M. Tally.....	Mrs. Sue Grimes, Ramseur, N. C.....	132	155
Randleman.....	J. M. Allred.....	W. G. Lamb, Randleman, N. C.....	86	85
Seagrove.....	G. M. Tally.....	Miss Lena Russell, Seagrove, N. C.....	37	32
Shady Grove.....	T. E. White.....	B. B. Martin, Troy, N. C.....	80	79
Shiloh.....	G. M. Tally.....	F. L. Tedder, Asheboro, N. C.....	120	116
Smithwood.....	M. A. Pollard.....	W. D. Humble, Liberty, N. C.....	160	164
Spoon's Chapel.....	B. H. Lowdermilk.....	Mabel Ingold, Asheboro, N. C.....	36	36
Union Grove.....	J. M. Allred.....	W. R. Brown, Asheboro, N. C., R. 1.....	103	102
Zion.....	J. A. Denton.....	Clara B. Wicker, Sanford, N. C.....	153	148
Totals.....			3,973	4,040

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Paid on Conference Apportionment.	Amount Raised for Superannuation.	Amount Raised for Missions.	Amount Raised for Ch. Plurage.	All Other Benevolences.	Amount Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Amount Raised for Elon College.	All Other Expenses.	Total Raised, Including Sunday School.	Value of Church Property.
\$ 11.97	\$.50	\$ 11.70	\$ 3.58		\$ 46.40		\$ 141.03	\$ 227.01	\$ 800
30.00	2.00	5.07	7.74	\$ 4.00	42.76			89.54	2,500
2.50		6.14	6.28	8.16	115.00		75.00	265.58	500
15.50		45.62	32.55	30.35	92.00	\$ 5.48	323.28	596.50	4,700
550.00		4.00		18.71	60.05			98.26	1,350
15.00		1,473.01	2,287.37	59.63	2,820.00	295.14	3,359.63	11,541.79	100,000
6.25	2.35	15.54	20.64		50.00		17.88	144.44	450
3.50		9.40			23.85	1.50	30.00	93.28	500
40.00		586.43	85.36		211.00		75.00	1,021.29	3,000
10.00		12.00	50.00	60.00	200.00		75.00	437.00	1,200
		42.60	8.08		120.00		25.16	270.01	2,400
					50.00			100.00	
16.60		26.27	67.75	36.60	200.00	2.26	49.60	399.08	2,000
		19.32	38.43		200.00		800.00	1,057.75	2,000
		.65	1.61		120.86			284.82	
25.00		18.35	44.79		99.51	16.65	44.42	248.72	3,000
13.00	2.80	13.46	6.67	17.86	120.00	1.83	90.00	265.62	2,000
11.25					16.43			27.68	1,000
10.50		2.66	3.00		48.06		100.00	171.22	700
23.36		25.25	13.58	16.34	175.00		282.24	636.17	4,000
									650
28.58		3.00		23.89	60.00			166.77	3,000
13.93		5.00	2.48		141.80	1.90	1,026.00	1,191.11	2,500
36.85		88.04	58.33	68.20	294.69	10.68	106.37	744.74	2,500
85.00	2.41	45.15	56.99	48.00	288.43		45.95	735.67	3,000
5.00					67.83		250.00	360.39	1,250
60.00		50.00			175.00			512.51	3,000
55.00		4.00	22.40		225.00		353.00	809.40	3,000
45.00			5.30		150.00	8.00	113.50	301.80	3,000
5.22									
10.00		9.00	23.00		150.00		25.00	292.00	1,000
13.88			16.00	100.00				199.88	6,500
5.25			23.00		35.00			112.11	200
42.50	7.50				126.50		23.40	288.67	1,250
19.00		25.00	40.00		147.00		15.00	281.00	2,000
\$ 1,209.64	\$ 17.56	\$ 3,546.66	\$ 2,924.93	\$ 491.74	\$32,672.17	\$ 343.44	\$ 6,446.76	\$32,971.81	\$ 164,950

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—WESTERN N. C. CONFERENCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. in Cradle Roll.	No. in Home Department.	Total Enrollment.	Amount Raised During Year.
Antioch (C.).....	No Report.....					
Antioch (R.).....	G. K. Needham, Bennett, N. C.....	14			125	\$ 23.80
Bennett.....	Caesar Phillips, Bennett, N. C.....	6			45	16.00
Big Oak.....	Whiteford Cole, Eagle Springs, N. C.....	5			120	25.00
Biscoe.....	J. A. McNeil, Biscoe, N. C.....	7			100	64.72
Brown's Chapel.....	J. W. H. Moore, Hemp, N. C.....	4			34	10.00
Burlington.....	H. N. Truitt, Glen Raven, N. C.....	38	15	8	477	3,260.00
Ether.....	W. H. Freeman, Ether, N. C.....					53.71
Flint Hill.....	Benton Britt, Biscoe, N. C.....	7			97	22.28
Glendon.....	L. G. Phillips, Putnam, N. C.....	6	20		60	60.00
Grace's Chapel.....	J. H. Register, Sanford, N. C.....	9			184	105.00
Graham.....	J. W. Harden, Graham, N. C.....	9			40	94.85
Graham Prov.-Memor.....	No Report.....					
Hamlet.....	E. C. Tennant, Hamlet, N. C.....	8	8		93	50.00
Hank's Chapel.....	H. C. Farrell, Pittsboro, N. C.....	9			120	
High Point.....	B. P. Moffitt, 704 E. Commerce St.....	13	16		123	118.73
High Pt., East Green.....	Garnett Barnes, 625 Cable St.....	6			54	47.44
Liberty.....	W. A. Fergusson, Liberty, N. C.....	8	3		55	107.56
Mt. Pleasant.....	E. M. Marks, Cameron, N. C., R 2.....	4			76	39.82
Needham's Grove.....	W. W. Ritter, Steeds, N. C., R. 1.....	6			80	12.00
New Center.....	Jacob Chriscoe, Steeds, N. C., R 1.....	6			50	7.00
Parks Cross Roads.....	James Cox, Ramseur, N. C., R 2.....	8	15		135	100.40
Patterson's Grove.....	No Report.....					
Pleasant Cross.....	Mrs. Emma Malone, Ashboro, N. C.....	7			79	51.30
Pleasant Grove.....	J. M. Brown, Bennett, N. C., R. 1.....	8			127	32.57
Pleasant Hill.....	W. A. Hornaday, Liberty, N. C., R. 2.....	10			170	241.97
Pleasant Ridge.....	Ernest Bean, Ramseur, N. C.....	10	12		148	163.74
Pleasant Union.....	Taylor Swaney, Jackson's Creek, N. C.....	6			80	37.56
Ramseur.....	E. A. Cox, Ramseur, N. C.....	16	18		250	227.51
Randleman.....	Lacy Ferguson, Randleman, N. C.....	8			110	150.00
Seagrove.....	O. D. Lawrence, Seagrove, N. C.....	8	18		50	25.00
Shady Grove.....	B. B. Martin, Troy, N. C.....	5			50	
Shiloh.....	Bernard Bray, Ramseur, N. C., R 1.....	7	7		99	85.00
Smithwood.....	L. H. Humble, Liberty, N. C., R 1.....	8			92	70.00
Spoon's Chapel.....	Roy L. Smith, Asheboro, N. C., R 1.....	9			66	54.11
Union Grove.....	J. A. Wright, Asheboro, N. C., R. 1.....	9			105	81.27
Zion.....	A. J. Wicker, Sanford, N. C., R. 5.....	9			119	35.00
Totals.....		293	132	8	3,613	\$5,473.34

Proceedings of the One Hundred and Tenth Annual Session of the Eastern North Carolina Conference.

NEW ELAM CHRISTIAN CHURCH, NEW HILL, N. C.
NOVEMBER 19, 20, 1935.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The One Hundred and Tenth Annual Session of the Eastern North Carolina Conference of the Congregational-Christian Churches met and was called to order by the President, Rev. W. C. Wicker, D. D., at 10:00 A. M.

Song service was conducted by Rev. W. J. Andes. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. A. C. Todd.

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—E. M. Carter, J. A. Denton, R. T. Grissom, H. C. Hilliard, B. J. Howard, J. Lee Johnson, J. H. Lee, S. E. Madren, M. T. Sorrell, W. C. Wicker.

Licentiates—R. M. Kimball, Alphonzo Grissom, R. A. Whitten, Jr.

Churches and Delegates.

Amelia—Harold Tiles, Millard Pulley.

Antioch—Mrs. H. L. Wall, Mrs. S. R. Jones, J. S. Whitby.

Auburn—William Watts.

Bethel—S. W. Holloman, C. B. Holland.

Bethlehem—Roger Willson, Ernest Whitby.

Beulah—A. R. Perry, A. G. Watkins, Mrs. A. G. Watkins.

Caroleigh—By letter.

Cary—J. F. Hilliard, Mrs. J. R. Mathews.

Catawba Springs—O. W. Mann, Miss Jocie Mann, Miss Ruth Mann, Norward Carroll.

Chapel Hill—E. W. Nevell, L. C. Nevell.

Christian Chapel—Mrs. L. S. Garner, Mrs. O. C. Homer.

Christian Light—E. M. Blanchard, J. F. Arnold.

Clayton—Harvey Nichols, W. H. Duncan.

Damascus—R. F. Poythress, Mrs. T. E. Wright, Mrs. Jim Henderson.

Ebenezer—Lenton King, C. Bruce Sanders.

Fuller's Chapel—W. S. Briggs.

Good Hope—By letter.

Hayes Chapel—W. S. Stone, Mrs. Lee Sandy.

Henderson—Miss Onie Thomas, Mrs. E. T. Vickers.

Lebanon—E. L. Pattishaw, Miss Lois Stevens, Miss Edna Pattishaw.

Lee's Chapel—No report.

C. O. Renn.

Liberty—Miss Mollie Dunn, Marnell Evans, Miss Kathren Macon,

Martha's Chapel—No report.

Mebane—Miss Lillie Fowler, Mrs. Paul Fowler.

Morrisville—Miss Elizabeth Green.

Moore Union—C. A. Maddox, W. P. Lett, Mrs. J. W. Lett, Mrs. W. P. Lett.

Mt. Auburn—By letter.

Mt. Carmel—By letter.

Mt. Gilead—W. C. Wilder, Raymon Wilder.

Mt. Hermon—By letter.

New Elam—G. F. Carr, K. B. Riddle, Mrs. A. G. Mann, Mrs. C. T. Jones.

New Hope—By letter.

New Hill—By letter.

Niagara—New church.

Oak Level—W. H. Hudson, Myrtle Bridges, Merner Young.

Piney Plain—H. G. Franklin, G. C. Oliver.

Pleasant Hill—Miss Clara Creech, Jasper Surles.

Pleasant Union—Joe Johnson, John Green, M. E. Wilder.

Plymouth—W. B. Rowland, E. M. Johnson, B. G. Partin.

Pope's Chapel—G. H. Ferguson, N. W. Suitt.

Raleigh—By letter.

Sanford—A. H. McIver, C. C. Way, Mrs. Virginia Parrish.

Shallow Well—Mrs. R. E. Cochrell, Mrs. Jack Campbell, Mrs. Scott Thomas.

Turner's Chapel—Mrs. J. M. Riddle, Jack Horton, Mrs. R. L. Ross.

Wake Chapel—K. B. Johnson, C. A. Ballentine, R. M. Dickens, Mrs. Carl Rowland.

Wentworth—W. M. Rowland, Henry Fuquay, B. L. Brown.

Wide Fellowship—W. J. Stewart, Mrs. W. J. Stewart, Rev. Edward F. Green.

Letters of transfer from the Conference of Congregational Churches of the Carolinas were presented for the following churches: Circular Congregational Church of Charleston, S. C., Niagara Union Church of Niagara, N. C., Church of Wide Fellowship of Southern Pines, N. C., and by motion they were received into the fellowship of the conference.

The following were received into the fellowship of the conference by transfer: From the Conference of Congregational Churches of the Carolinas, Rev. Geo. N. Edwards, D. D., Rev. C. Rexford Raymond, D. D.; Rev. J. L. Foster from the Eastern Virginia Conference and Rev. F. E. Hyde from the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

Rev. W. J. Andes, pastor of the church of New Elam, gave words of welcome to the members of conference and visitors.

On behalf of the conference, Rev. E. M. Carter responded to the welcome address.

Dr. Milo J. Sweet, Pastor-at-Large of the Carolinas and Georgia, Rev. A. C. Todd, of the Eastern Virginia Conference, Dr. Stanley C. Harrell, President of the Southern Convention, Rev. W. J. Andes, of the Valley of Virginia Central Conference, Dr. Edward F. Green, Associate pastor of the Church of Wide Fellowship, Rev. J. S. Carden, of the Western North Carolina Conference and Chas. D. Johnston, superintendent of the Christian Orphanage, were introduced to conference and received as deliberative members.

Dr. Stanley C. Harrell presented the North Carolina Council of Churches.

The Annual Sermon was preached by Rev. F. Ervin Hyde.

Rev. E. M. Carter conducted the Communion Services, assisted by Dr. Stanley C. Harrell and Rev. J. A. Denton.

Rev. W. M. Stevens and Rev. J. E. Neese, of Elon College were introduced to the conference and seated as deliberative members.

Conference adjourned for lunch. Benediction by Dr. Milo J. Sweet.

AFTERNOON SESSION—FIRST DAY.

Conference was called to order by the President. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. Lee Johnson.

The President appointed the following committees:

Nominating—A. H. McIver, B. J. Howard, W. M. Goodwin, J. Lee Johnson, J. F. Hilliard, F. E. Hyde.

Press—Rev. Jas. L. Foster.

Supt. Chas. D. Johnston presented the Orphanage, after which an offering was received to the amount of \$18.80.

The church reports were called for and the ministers read their reports.

The report of the Treasurer was read as follows:

1934. REPORT OF TREASURER.

1934.		RECEIPTS.	
Nov. 1.	Balance on hand	\$	148.25
	Connected on Conf. Apportionments...		939.37
	Orphanage Collection		16.81
	Collect. Ex. of Drs. Raymond and Fry		8.71
			<hr/> \$1,113.14
		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Nov. 22.	By Rev. E. M. Carter, Secy.		25.00
	Dr. C. Rexford Raymond		7.00
	W. J. Ballentine, printing		5.00
1935.			
Mar. 23.	By Farmers Bank of Nansemond		750.00
Apr. 6.	By M. J. Carlton, Treas.		50.00
Apr. 12.	Br. Rev. H. C. Hilliard, service		50.00
May 10.	By Central Publishing Co.		61.15
Nov. 15.	Balance on hand		164.99
			<hr/> \$1,113.14

W. J. BALLENTINE, *Treasurer.*

Rev. J. E. McCauley, pastor of the church at Richmond, Va., and John T. Kernodle, Managing Editor of *The Christian Sun*, were seated as deliberative members of conference.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We realize that for a man to live that well-rounded life the different phases of his development must be cared for; and, there is no better way than to turn to the printed page. Yet, we are conscious that never before has there come from the press so many books, papers, magazines and periodicals, which increase our responsibilities in choosing what to read and what we should bring before our families.

"He that provideth not for his household, that man's religion is vain," sayeth God and we certainly believe that that includes more than the necessities of the physical life but the spiritual as well. Never before have we been better informed concerning the happenings of State and Nation but in seeking these we are not forgetting that our secular papers are not informing us concerning our Lord and Saviour. This information comes from our religious papers. The lack of knowledge of the work of the Kingdom of God is due to the meager circulation of our religious papers.

Therefore, we recommend: First, since the Bible is the Book of books and, on its foundation civilization stands, and, the Church of God is built that it be read more carefully, prayerfully and frequently.

Second, that our people read *THE CHRISTIAN SUN*. It is the organ of the Southern Convention and through its circulation we are informed on matters pertaining to our Church and its program. We are hoping through the Youth Fellowship to put on a campaign to secure new subscribers to *THE SUN*.

Third: that we, as teachers of little children subscribe for *The Pilgrim Elementary Teacher*. It gives valuable information on the problems confronting a teacher; also helps on the lesson.

Fourth: that your budget include a subscription to *The Pilgrim Highroad*. In this we find helps on Christian Endeavor topics, Sunday school lessons, special days, suggestion in worship service, missionary meetings, short stories and good articles pertaining to every day happenings.

Fifth: that we read all the good books time will allow. Books may be obtained from public libraries, the Department of Religious Education; also from the Boston Office—all you have to do is pay postage one way.

Sixth: that we use our Sunday School Literature. If our Publishing House had the support of all the churches in the conference they could give us bigger values and better literature.

MRS. B. M. NEWMAN,
Chairman.

After an address by John T. Kernodle, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON EVANGELISM.

In the work of evangelism, as in other work, there must of course be method; but is there not a danger of being methodical, or in other words, thinking too much of a particular way it is to be done? Have we placed sufficient emphasis on the more important thing, compassion? A heart hunger for those on the outside. Was not this the attitude of our Lord when, "He was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd." (Matt. 9:36)?

And, again, "Then the Lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him his debt." (Matt. 18:27.) Because of a desire to increase the enrollment of our churches, are we not in danger of follow-

ing some evangelistic method, bringing into the local bodies those who do not know Jesus as Lord. True, evangelism is reaching men and women, boys and girls for Christ. We preachers, and also the laity of the church who are saved, need more love in our hearts for the lost everywhere, more love for Christ and His word as the only means of reaching the unsaved. We believe evangelism needs the baptism of the fire of the Holy Spirit. If the church had this, the many other necessary things would follow as the night the day.

J. LEE JOHNSON,
J. A. DENTON,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

We recommend the following officers of conference for the ensuing year:

President—Dr. W. C. Wicker.

Vice President—Rev. J. Lee Johnson.

Secretary—Rev. E. M. Carter.

Treasurer—W. J. Ballentine.

Dr. C. Rexford Raymond to represent the conference in the North Carolina Council of Churches.

The following as delegates, and alternates, to the National Council of Congregational-Christian Churches:

Delegates—Dr. W. C. Wicker, Dr. C. R. Raymond, Prof. L. L. Vaughan, Mrs. Doyle McFarland, Dr. Edward F. Green.

Alternates—Rev. B. J. Howard, Dr. Geo. N. Edwards, Rev. R. M. Kimball, Miss Ruth Johnson, W. H. Hudson.

A. H. McIVER,
J. F. HILLIARD,
W. M. GOODWIN,
B. J. HOWARD,
F. ERVIN HYDE,
J. LEE JOHNSON,
Committee.

Your Committee of Laymen recommend the following ministers as delegates to the Southern Convention: C. Rexford Raymond, W. C. Wicker, J. Lee Johnson, E. M. Carter, R. T. Grissom, M. T. Sorrell, S. E. Madren, Geo. N. Edwards, F. Ervin Hyde, J. A. Denton, J. H. Lee, J. L. Foster.

We also recommend that the Executive Committee be authorized to fill any vacancy by naming any ordained minister that might come under the jurisdiction of this conference between now and the time of the next meeting of the Convention.

A. H. McIVER,
W. M. GOODWIN,
J. F. HILLIARD,
Committee.

Your Committee recommends the following Laymen as delegates to the Southern Convention: A. H. McIver, J. A. Kimball, C. W. Daniels, W. M. Goodwin, C. H. Stephenson, Mrs. R. L. Ross, L. J. Thomas, Mrs. E. T. Vickers, Miss Margaret Alston, Miss Lillie Fowler, J. Milton Banks, J. F. Hilliard and W. J. Morgan.

J. LEE JOHNSON,
B. J. HOWARD,
F. ERVIN HYDE,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

APPORTIONMENT TABLE FOR 1936.

	Conference Fund	Convention Missions	Foreign Missions	Convention Fund	Elon College	Superannuation	Christian Education	Total
Amelia.....	\$ 3.00	\$ 9.60	\$ 9.60	\$ 9.60	\$ 24.00	\$ 4.80	\$ 2.50	\$ 63.00
Antioch.....	5.00	15.60	15.60	15.60	39.00	7.80	3.90	102.50
Auburn.....	6.00	18.40	18.40	18.40	46.00	9.20	4.60	121.00
Bethel.....	3.00	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	63.00
Bethlehem.....	2.25	7.20	7.20	7.20	18.00	3.60	1.80	47.25
Beulah.....	2.75	8.48	8.48	8.48	21.20	4.24	2.12	55.75
Caroleigh.....	1.50	4.80	4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	31.50
Cary.....	2.00	5.76	5.76	5.76	14.40	2.88	1.44	38.00
Catawba Springs...	6.75	21.60	21.60	21.60	54.00	10.80	5.40	141.75
Chapel Hill.....	5.00	14.40	14.40	14.40	36.00	7.20	3.60	95.00
Christian Light....	5.00	15.60	15.60	15.60	39.00	7.80	3.90	102.50
Clayton.....	6.00	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	126.00
Damascus.....	3.75	12.00	12.00	12.00	30.00	6.00	3.00	78.75
Ebenezer.....	5.00	15.60	15.60	15.60	39.00	7.80	3.90	102.50
Fuller's Chapel....	4.50	14.40	14.40	14.40	36.00	7.20	3.60	94.50
Good Hope.....	4.50	14.40	14.40	14.40	36.00	7.20	3.60	94.50
Hayes' Chapel.....	3.75	11.84	11.84	11.84	29.60	5.92	2.96	77.75
Henderson.....	2.25	7.20	7.20	7.20	18.00	3.60	1.80	47.25
Lebanon.....	7.50	24.00	24.00	24.00	60.00	12.00	6.00	157.50
Lee Chapel.....	2.25	7.20	7.20	7.20	18.00	3.60	1.80	47.25
Liberty.....	2.25	7.20	7.20	7.20	18.00	3.60	1.80	47.25
Martha's Chapel....	18.75	59.76	59.76	59.76	149.40	29.88	14.94	392.25
Mebane.....	2.25	7.20	7.20	7.20	18.00	3.60	1.80	47.25
Morrisville.....	2.00	5.84	5.84	5.84	14.60	2.92	1.46	38.50
Morrisville.....	1.25	3.60	3.60	3.60	9.00	1.80	.90	23.75
Moore Union.....	3.75	10.20	10.20	10.20	25.50	5.10	2.55	67.50
Mt. Auburn.....	7.50	24.00	24.00	24.00	60.00	12.00	6.00	157.50
Mt. Carmel.....	4.75	12.00	12.00	12.00	30.00	6.00	3.00	79.75
Mt. Gilead.....	5.75	18.00	18.00	18.00	45.00	9.00	4.50	118.25
Mt. Hermon.....	2.25	7.20	7.20	7.20	18.00	3.60	1.80	47.25
New Elam.....	9.50	30.00	30.00	30.00	75.00	15.00	7.50	197.00
New Hill.....	2.00	5.84	5.84	5.84	14.60	2.92	1.46	38.50
New Hope.....	6.50	20.40	20.40	20.40	51.00	10.20	5.10	134.00
Oak Level.....	5.75	18.00	18.00	18.00	45.00	9.00	4.50	118.25
O'Kelly's Chapel...	3.00	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	63.00
Piney Plains.....	5.75	18.00	18.00	18.00	45.00	9.00	4.50	118.25
Pleasant Hill.....	3.00	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	63.00
Pleasant Union.....	6.50	20.40	20.40	20.40	51.00	10.20	5.10	134.00
Plymouth.....	3.00	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	63.00
Pope's Chapel.....	4.50	14.40	14.40	14.40	36.00	7.20	3.60	94.50
Raleigh.....	9.50	29.76	29.76	29.76	74.40	14.88	7.44	195.50
Sanford.....	6.75	21.60	21.60	21.60	54.00	10.80	5.40	141.75
Shallow Well.....	8.25	26.40	26.40	26.40	66.00	13.20	6.60	173.25
Six Forks.....	3.75	12.00	12.00	12.00	30.00	6.00	3.00	78.75
Turner's Chapel....	3.00	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	63.00
Wake Chapel.....	12.00	38.40	38.40	38.40	96.00	19.20	9.60	252.00
Wentworth.....	3.75	12.00	12.00	12.00	30.00	6.00	3.00	78.75
Youngsville.....	2.75	8.48	8.48	8.48	21.20	4.24	2.12	55.75
Total.....	\$231.50	\$725.96	\$725.96	\$725.96	\$1814.88	\$362.94	\$181.55	\$4768.75

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We, your Committee on Apportionments, beg leave to submit the apportionments as shown in the accompanying table.

Respectfully submitted,
W. M. GOODWIN,
B. L. BROWN,
J. F. HILLIARD,
W. J. BALLENTINE,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE.

The general trend of thought at the present time calls for a change. Change in habits of living and change in habits of thought about most things. This is particularly true among the young people.

There are a few tried and proven principles, or ways of action which aid the Christians to so walk in the way of Christ as to be shining lights in this world of unrest and soul hunger. Therefore be it resolved:

1. That we will read and study the Bible, looking for real spiritual guidance and inspiration.
2. That we will witness for Christ by attending His worship in Sunday school and church service.
3. That we will keep the Sabbath day holy as in the sight of God.
4. That we will honor all civil law, seeking to change any that may operate against moral development.
5. That we will seek to keep good literature, especially religious books and magazines within easy reach of young and old.

J. A. KIMBALL,
Chairman.

After discussion the report was adopted.

By motion it was decided to indorse the North Carolina Council of Churches.

The Committee on Entertainment made their report.

Conference adjourned till 7:30 P. M.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 7:30 o'clock by the President.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. H. C. Hilliard.

"Christian Education for Boys," was the subject of an address by Dr. C. Rexford Raymond.

Rev. Alfonso Grissom addressed the conference on the subject, "Young People's Work in the Kingdom."

The Young Peoples' Class of the Liberty church gave a beautiful pageant to the delight of all present.

Conference adjourned till 9:30 tomorrow morning. Benediction by Rev. W. J. Andes.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 9:30 o'clock. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. M. T. Sorrell.

Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Rev. J. A. Denton was appointed as a Committee on Place.

Rev. J. S. Johnson, pastor of the Niagara Church was introduced and seated as a deliberative member.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We use Foreign Missions in contrast to Home Missions only for convenience in our speech and thinking, both having as their sole object the winning of souls to Christ and sharing with others the life and the love of our Lord. By Foreign Missions we simply mean sending those who are courageous and sacrificial enough to go for us where we ourselves either do not, or cannot, go. Foreign Missions have the more difficult and noble task, because they deal, usually with pagan people in fields afar. Moreover, Foreign Missions require the fullest and deepest exercise of faith—faith in Jesus Christ to save a pagan worshipper who bows down to idols; faith in those who go for us to carry His message; faith in our Mission Boards and those who act for us; faith in and obedience to the command of our Lord who said: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." That which makes Foreign Missions so difficult is that it is purely a spiritual exercise and task, being founded in faith, carried on in obedience and sustained by prayer that our God shall have His way and Jesus Christ, our Saviour, shall become the Saviour of all men everywhere.

Our Christian Church and communion have never given due emphasis to that for which the church itself was founded, viz: To preach Jesus Christ and Him crucified and to teach all men that through Him, there is salvation. We seem to content ourselves with other interests and fail to remember both our Lord's command and the single purpose for which He founded His church—that of revealing Him to a lost world and sharing His love and life with those who do not know Him as Saviour and Redeemer.

We are now a part, by virtue of our merger as Congregational-Christians, and of a world movement, and we now have, 494 Missionaries in active service; 6,033 National Christian workers; 14 Missions, 84 Stations; 2,167 out-stations; 765 churches with 104,162 members; 1,303 Sunday schools, with 90,563 members; 9 colleges, 30 Theological Training Schools; 1,003 lower schools; 84,911 students under instruction; 25 hospitals; 45 dispensaries; 381,844 in-patient days; 641,648 out-patient treatments; \$7,000,000 invested in land and buildings.

Resolved: First, that, as a church, we lay emphasis, first and foremost, on the matter of soul-winning; not only of those within the hearing of our voice but those to the utmost parts of the earth.

Second: That we seek to emphasize the motive and matter of Foreign Missions through our churches, our Womens' Missionary Societies and our Sunday schools.

Third. That our pastors lend aid in every possible way in developing the missionary spirit in the churches; that we encourage and assist our Womens' Missionary Societies; that in the churches without societies we see to it that societies are organized and, that at least once a month in our Sunday schools, a brief Missionary program be put on.

M. T. SORRELL,
MARGARET ALSTON,
Committee.

The report was discussed and adopted.

REPORT OF WOMENS' MISSIONARY WORK.

WOMENS' SOCIETIES.

Catawba Springs	\$ 25.10	
Chapel Hill	6.25	
Fuller's Chapel	3.25	
Henderson	75.00	
Liberty (Vance)	115.00	
Mt. Auburn	5.00	
Piney Plains	31.30	
Pleasant Hill	19.50	
Pleasant Union	7.50	
Raleigh	75.00	
Sanford	75.00	
Shallow Well	54.00	
Turner's Chapel	50.00	
Wake Chapel	50.00	
Wentworth (New)	5.00	
Youngsville	10.00	
		606.90

YOUNG PEOPLES' SOCIETIES.

Sanford	12.00	
Shallow Well	3.25	
		15.25

CRADLE ROLL.

Turner's Chapel	5.00	
Wake Chapel	5.00	
		10.00

Total	\$ 632.15
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As we look back over the year we feel that the women of the Eastern North Carolina Conference have accomplished something for Missions. But when we see that only one new Society is reported and a loss of two, we know that much more remains to be done, especially when not half of our churches in the conference have missionary societies.

So I would like to urge the churches that do not have missionary societies to have the Sunday Schools have monthly missionary programs and take offerings for the mission work. We would also urge our pastors to inform our people of our world-wide work through regular missionary messages from the pulpit. We would urge the women to read the *Guest Book*, *The Christian Sun*, and *The Missionary Herald* and other missionary literature, because the one way to create more interest in missions is to read and study missions.

As members of the church and missionary society, let's make this new church year the best that we have had. And may God bless each of us and may we do greater things for our Lord in the years to come.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET ALSTON.

While the reports of Foreign Missions and the Women's Board were pending, a paper by Dr. J. O. Atkinson was read by Rev. Jas. L. Foster. Special prayer was made for Dr. Atkinson and Missions, led by Dr. C. Rexford Raymond.

By motion the Secretary was instructed to send a message to Dr. J. O. Atkinson and Rev. S. E. Madren, expressing our regrets that they could not be with us in this session, they being hindered on account of sickness.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The early church made more progress, so far as the record goes, under the leadership of the educated and consecrated apostle, Paul, assisted by the scholarly physician, Luke, than under all the other apostles together. It has ever been thus in the history of the church whether in the early, medieval, or modern church. During the period of the Dark Ages, under an ignorant priesthood, the church was stagnant, static and superstitious. With the Revival of Learning, with the Renaissance, came a new birth, a new era in church progress. The Protestant Reformation was born in education, enlightenment, and quickened interest in learning. Church schools, colleges and universities sprang up as by magic, church leaders became educated and the church took on new life.

Such men as Luther, Melancthon, Calvin, Zwingli, Huss, Knox and others brought new emphasis on the spiritual life and character Christianity.

The Christian Church in the Southern Convention struggled for an existence, with little life and progress, for nearly a century without a college or theological school to give our ministers adequate classical and theological preparation. With the founding of Elon College out of the emerging faith and vision of the self-sacrificing spirit of our leaders, the beginning of a new day dawned.

During the short period of its history, more than a hundred ministers have been educated and gone forth as light-bearers of the truth. They are the best witnesses of the value of the college to the church. Our church has made more progress during this period than during all her previous history.

Today our college is equipped as well as the best church colleges. We have a most beautiful location, modern, well-appointed buildings, superior scientific laboratories, library facilities of well-selected books for the several departments, academic courses of study fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges, special departments in Business Administration, Music Art, Domestic Science, and other subjects to meet the needs and wishes of all who desire collegiate education.

The present faculty has never been surpassed in qualification by any faculty of the college during its history of forty-five years. Their academic and professional training has been secured from the best colleges and universities of the world. There are more members of the faculty that hold university degrees than ever before in the history of the institution.

The student body far surpasses that of any previous period in the history of the college. Last year there was an increase in our enrollment of ninety-three. This year there is an increase over last year of a hundred students. We have enrolled to date this fall four hundred and sixty-one students—sixty-one students more than we have ever had before.

The college not only offers academic and educational advantages, but all the social, recreational, and religious advantages that can be found or expected in the complex life of an up-to-date denominational college.

The college commends itself to the support and patronage of all her alumni, to all the ministers of our church who have received their education at the institution, and to all the members of the church who have pledged themselves to be loyal to the church and its institutions, and to the general public who may be interested in the education of their sons and daughters within an environment of Christian culture without denominational bias.

Biblical Class:

Robert M. Kimball, a licentiate of this conference, is pursuing his theological studies at Yale university and is making commendable progress. This is his second year of study at this great institution. We recommend that his license be continued.

William Alfonzo Grissom, a licentiate of this conference, is pursuing his studies, in his junior year at Elon College and is doing excellent work and making commendable progress. We recommend that his license be continued.

R. A. Whitten, Jr., a licentiate of this conference, discontinued his studies at Elon College and requested that his name be dropped from the roll of li-

centiates. We recommend that his request be granted and that the college collect the money that was loaned him to aid him in his studies.

Rev. J. Ray Dickens, elder of this conference, united with the Presbyterian church and requested that his name be dropped from the roll of ministers. We recommend that his request be granted and that he be requested to meet his obligations to the college which assisted him in preparing for the ministry in the Christian Church.

We recommend that Rev. H. C. Hilliard, at his own request, be granted a letter of transfer to unite with the Eastern Virginia Conference.

W. C. WICKER,

E. M. CARTER,

Committee.

In the absence of Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College, Mr. George D. Colclough addressed the conference in the interest of the college. Other speakers were Rev. M. T. Sorrell, Dr. W. C. Wicker and Dr. Edward F. Green.

The Treasurer reported that the collections at this session on Conference Apportionments amounted to \$929.93.

Conference adjourned for lunch.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 1:30 o'clock.

Special music by a quartette.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Since last session we have assisted some churches, by correspondence, in securing a pastor. We have appropriated, \$50.00 on the debt of Cary church; and have supplemented the salary of Rev. H. C. Hilliard for Antioch church.

We recommend that during the Mission Period a special effort be made to raise the amount appropriated for missions.

That we supplement the salary of Rev. Jas. L. Foster for his work at Newsom's Chapel to the amount of \$50.00 for this year. That the same amount be appropriated for the work next year.

We deplore the condition of our interest at Franklinton and wish something might be done; therefore, we recommend that there be an investigation of the affairs at that place.

That the Committee meet with the church at Cary and make an investigation, with power to act for the best interest of their work.

K. B. JOHNSON,

E. M. CARTER,

Committee.

By motion the report was adopted by items.

The item, relative to an appropriation for the work at Newsom's Chapel was amended that if a church is organized the supplement to the salary of the pastor in charge is to be paid.

The report was adopted, as amended.

By motion it was decided to hold the next session of conference with the church at Liberty (Vance).

By motion the money accustomed to be paid to the Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention was ordered paid on order of the President and Secretary of conference.

The President appointed Standing Committees as follows:

Executive—W. C. Wicker, E. M. Carter, W. J. Ballentine.

Home Mission—A. H. McIver, K. B. Johnson, S. E. Madren.

Foreign Mission—J. Lee Johnson, George N. Edwards, Miss Margaret Alston, R. T. Grissom.

Education—C. Rexford Raymond, F. Ervin Hyde, S. E. Madren, E. M. Carter, W. C. Wicker.

Evangelism—M. T. Sorrell, J. A. Denton, J. Lee Johnson.

Sunday School and Christian Endeavor—Alphonzo Grissom, Mrs. B. M. Newman, Robert M. Kimball.

Social Service—F. Ervin Hyde, C. Rexford Raymond, J. A. Kimball.

Religious Literature—J. L. Foster, L. L. Vaughan, B. J. Howard.

Stewardship—Mrs. B. M. Newman, Miss Lillie Fowler, Miss Margaret Alston.

Finance—Jas. L. Foster, K. B. Johnson, W. S. Briggs.

Superannuation—K. B. Johnson, W. M. Goodwin, W. H. Hudson.

Program—W. C. Wicker, Jas. L. Foster, Miss Lillie Fowler.

By motion the name of W. C. Wicker was placed on the Committee on Education.

By motion it was suggested that each church be identified in its community as Congregational-Christian.

By motion it was decided that we have our minutes published in THE ANNUAL; and that the conference purchase an ANNUAL for each church, pastor and Conference official; and, that the Secretary furnish the publisher a list of such.

Moved and carried to pay the Secretary \$25.00 for his services.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the books of the Treasurer, W. J. Ballentine, and find them correct.

W. S. BRIGGS,
J. F. HILLIARD,
Committee.

Moved and carried that a rising vote of thanks be extended to the church and community for the royal hospitality we have received while in their midst.

Moved and carried that a vote of thanks be extended to the President and Secretary for their splendid service during the session of conference.

Moved and carried that the possibility of the organization of a Men's Missionary Movement be referred to the Women's Missionary Societies.

Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Liberty (Vance), on Tuesday after the third Sunday in November, 1936, at 10:00 o'clock A. M.

W. C. WICKER, *President*.
E. M. CARTER, *Secretary*.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

E. M. Carter—Churches: Good Hope, Youngsville, Mt. Auburn, Fuller's Chapel, Pope's Chapel, New Hope. Sermons, 100; addresses, 3; conversions, 15; baptisms, 12; members, 27; visits, 320; marriages, 3; funerals, 11; salary, \$965.00.

J. A. Denton—Churches: Zion, Turner's Chapel, Grace Chapel, Glendon, Ebenezer. Sermons, 115; conversions, 15; baptisms, 8; members, 25; visits, many; marriages, 5; funerals, 10; salary, \$1,000.00.

R. T. Grissom—Churches: Rocky Ford, Elk Spur. Sermons, 95; conversions, uncertain; baptisms, 1; funerals, 2; visits, 400; salary, \$1,200.00.

H. C. Hilliard—Churches: Cary, Beulah, Christian Light, Moore's Union, Lee's Chapel, Plymouth, Antioch, Bethlehem, Lebanon. Sermons, 125, addresses, 3; conversions, 65; baptisms, 42; members, 45; visits, 800; marriages, 1; funerals, 9; salary, \$750.00.

B. J. Howard—Churches: Damascus, Mebane. Sermons, 25; addresses, 1; conversions, not known; baptisms, 4; members, 8; visits, not known; marriages, 2; funerals, 5; salary, \$200.00.

J. Lee Johnson—Churches: Wake Chapel, Catawba Springs, Piney Plains, Wentworth, Pleasant Union, Bethel, Pleasant Hill. Sermons, 90; conversions, 25; baptisms, 20; members, 22; visits, 100; marriages, 4; funerals, 6; salary, \$1,050.00.

J. H. Lee—Churches: Caroleigh. Sermons, 42; addresses, 15; conversions, 3; members, 3; visits, 50.

S. E. Madren—Churches: Liberty, Henderson, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Gilead. Sermons, 164; conversions, 18; baptisms, 16; members, 22; visits, 500; marriages, 8; funerals, 11; salary, \$1,190.00.

C. R. Raymond—Churches: Church of the Wide Fellowship. Salary, \$1,500.

M. T. Sorrell—Churches: Danville (Va.). Sermons, 175; addresses, 5; conversions, 241; baptisms, 16; members, 78; visits, 1,156; marriages, many; funerals, 30; salary, \$1,500.00.

W. C. Wicker—Churches: Pleasant Grove (Va.), Graham. Sermons, 50; conversions, 18; baptisms, 14; members, 16; visits, 75; marriages, 2; funerals, 8; salary, \$420.00.

Licentiates:

W. A. Grissom—Churches: Amelia, Clayton. Sermons, 40; conversions, 6; members, 18; visits, 100; funerals, 2; salary, \$75.00.

R. M. Kimball—Sermons: 2, addresses, 2; funerals, 1. In Yale Divinity School.

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CHURCH STATISTICS—EASTER

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.	Amount Sent to Conference.	Conference Home Missions.	Conference Fund.
Amelia.....	W. A. Grissom....	Miss Estelle Liles, Clayton, R. 2.....	88	83	\$ 1.00		\$ 1.00
Antioch.....	W. A. Grissom....	H. L. Wall, Elams.....	90	87	2.50	\$ 10.00	2.50
Auburn.....	A. L. Granger.....	William Watts, Raleigh, R. 2.....	95	99	4.00		
Bethel.....		E. C. Smith, New Hill, R. F. D.....	35	37	54.00		20.00
Bethlehem.....	W. A. Grissom....	Mrs. R. A. Wilson, Littleton, R. 3.....	43	52	3.50		
Beulah.....		J. B. Edwards, Wake Forest, R. 2.....	117	114	2.75		2.75
Caroleigh.....		B. P. Hardee, Raleigh, R. 3.....	56	17			
Cary.....	W. J. Andes.....	M. J. Carlton, Raleigh.....	28	28	5.32		
Catawba Springs.....	J. Lee Johnson....	Norwood Carrell, Apex, R. 1.....	218	218	42.43		6.75
Chapel Hill.....	W. J. McKee.....	T. A. Rosemond, Chapel Hill.....	57	63		7.65	
Christian Chapel.....	Geo. M. Tally.....	R. B. Dickens, Corinth.....	138	148			
Christian Light.....		E. M. Blanchard, Fuquay Springs.....	116	124	27.00		
Circular.....	Geo. N. Edwards....	Charleston, S. C.....		60			
Clayton.....	W. A. Grissom....	Harvey Nichols, Clayton.....	59	57	4.60		
Damascus.....	W. J. Andes.....	Louise Crabtree, Chapel Hill, R. 3.....	84	90	6.30		
Ebenezer.....	J. A. Denton.....	C. Bruce Sanders, Morrisville, R. 1.....	206	204	24.13		1.50
Fuller's Chapel.....	E. M. Carter.....	Clara K. Coghill, Henderson, R. 4.....	108	108	31.18		31.18
Good Hope.....	E. M. Carter.....	Nolie Woodlief, Youngsville, R. F. D.....	107	107	16.00	4.00	13.00
Hayes' Chapel.....	W. J. Andes.....	A. L. Hatcher, Garner.....	62	64	6.50	1.80	6.50
Henderson.....	S. E. Madren.....	C. D. Newman, Henderson.....	143	145	76.50	5.95	
Lebanon.....	E. M. Carter.....	Mrs. B. L. Mansfield, Sanford, R. 2.....	32	29	2.25		
Liberty.....	S. E. Madren.....	C. O. Renn, Henderson, R. 1.....	363	366	176.00		
Lee's Chapel.....		No report.....	75				
Martha's Chapel.....		No report.....	94				
Mebane.....	B. J. Howard.....	J. O. Fowler, Mebane.....	20	19	20.00		2.00
Morrisville.....	J. S. Carden.....	E. W. Clements, Morrisville.....	25	25	5.10		5.10
Moore's Union.....	E. M. Carter.....	Mrs. J. W. Lett, Jonesboro, R. 2.....	88	97	38.30		
Mt. Auburn.....	E. M. Carter.....	A. P. Read, Manson.....	180	180	55.00	30.25	
Mt. Carmel.....	S. E. Madren.....	Eva May, Franklinton, R. 1.....	110	109	10.05		10.05
Mt. Gillead.....	S. E. Madren.....	Susie Hight, Louisburg, R. F. D.....	152	152		5.00	
Mt. Hermon.....	J. S. Carden.....	Mamie Munford, Garner, R. 1.....	29	28			
New Elam.....	A. C. Todd.....	Vada Goodwin, New Hill, R. 2.....	278	277	80.89	20.00	
New Hope.....		John Chamblee, Louisburg, R. F. D.....	212	215	13.11		13.11
Niagara, Union.....	J. S. Johnson.....	Niagara.....		29			
Oak Level.....	J. L. Foster.....	J. W. Hudson, Youngsville, R. F. D.....	132	129	40.00	3.00	18.00
Piney Plain.....	J. Lee Johnson....	Mrs. C. W. Franklin, Raleigh, R. 4.....	90	89	5.75		5.75
Pleasant Hill.....		Jasper Surler, Benson.....	88	78		5.00	3.00
Pleasant Union.....	J. Lee Johnson....	W. S. Long, Lillington.....	115	119		4.20	4.00
Plymouth.....	W. J. Andes.....	B. G. Partin, Raleigh, R. 3.....	70	71			
Pope's Chapel.....	W. J. Andes.....	H. G. Holmes, Franklinton, R. 1.....	112	119	15.00		
Raleigh.....	Carl H. Voss.....	Robert Schmidt, College Sta., Raleigh.....	307	315			17.00
Sanford.....	F. E. Hide.....	Stella A. Stout, Sanford.....	207	179	39.43	3.00	17.00
Shallow Well.....	F. E. Hide.....	L. J. Sloan, Jonesboro.....	196	192	50.00	5.00	12.50
Turner's Chapel.....	J. A. Denton.....	Mrs. R. L. Ross, Sanford, R. 5.....	70	73	9.17		
Wake Chapel.....	J. Lee Johnson....	H. W. Johnson, Fuquay Springs.....	199	214			12.00
Wentworth.....	J. Lee Johnson....	Mrs. G. M. Williams, McCullers.....	99	102		37.50	
Wide Fellowship.....	C. Rex. Raymond....	Southern Pines.....	130	130			
Youngsville.....	E. M. Carter.....	W. G. Scarborough, Youngsville.....	36	41	17.59		2.75
Totals.....			5359	5428	\$ 885.35	\$ 142.35	\$ 160.15

*In some instances this column includes amount raised by Sunday School.

†Includes Ministerial Education.

ORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Convention Fund.	Convention Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Elon College Fund.	Superannuation Fund.	Raised for Christian Education.	Raised by Missionary Society.	Raised for Orphanage.	Raised for Other Benevolences.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	All Other Expenses.	Total Amount Raised.*	Value of Church Property.
			\$.48			\$ 2.20	\$ 1.00		\$ 76.45	\$ 16.50	\$ 126.26	\$ 2,000
							10.13		100.00		141.67	2,000
		\$ 13.44					14.40		126.14		153.98	2,000
		7.90	2.30				12.62	\$ 3.15	78.78	97.80	223.55	1,500
\$ 2.25		1.50					1.25	13.00	50.00	33.75	118.25	1,500
							10.00		100.00	15.00	137.75	2,000
												1,500
		1.72	6.00				1.72	1.72	50.00	4.44	97.02	2,000
21.60	21.60	21.60	54.00	\$ 10.80	\$ 3.40		145.12		300.00	17.00	743.82	5,000
		7.00							338.00	426.83	603.24	20,000
		2.88					2.88		67.50	18.75	104.01	1,500
	6.00	7.41					20.41		100.00		133.82	2,500
								93.00	2,100.00		2,362.00	60,000
										93.72	93.72	2,500
	3.70							21.46	125.00	309.99	381.91	3,300
	7.38	3.88	9.72	1.94			11.00	25.00	200.00		260.13	1,800
1.00	9.58	9.59	4.25			3.25	50.23	20.27	150.00	38.38	337.73	3,000
1.00	2.45		4.00	2.00	2.00				100.00		146.70	2,000
							4.75		100.00		113.05	1,200
			11.69	6.79		130.00	15.62		500.00	175.00	1,067.34	12,000
		1.00					2.53		50.00		53.53	1,000
	42.50	42.52	103.51	8.00		115.00	56.27	5.00	450.00	210.00	1,326.26	6,000
	5.50	5.50	5.00	3.00	2.00				101.27		178.27	5,000
	4.43	4.43	1.93						52.50	51.61	135.65	1,500
									150.00		190.94	1,500
		25.00	64.57			5.00	49.25		250.00	32.00	498.18	7,000
		6.16							90.00	50.00	156.21	1,200
		1.50					4.00		150.00	32.00	206.00	1,200
		16.00					16.00		113.00	87.00	241.00	1,500
		13.89	2.00				19.05	40.45	150.00		309.64	3,000
		4.67					12.25		105.00	111.00	306.64	3,000
												1,500
	12.57	12.57	10.00	5.00	2.00		21.00		150.00	37.00	203.51	4,000
		40.23	13.80	9.00		31.31	43.90	20.75	121.50	3.40	294.64	2,000
	5.00	10.07	15.55	4.59			18.40	25.57	97.21		184.39	1,000
	20.00	20.43	5.00				36.90	60.00	276.00	780.00	1,248.57	4,000
7.40							25.98		98.00	42.00	149.23	1,000
		6.17							172.00	10.00	219.74	2,000
	13.85					160.00	21.07	7.91	1,601.15	1,199.44	4,148.85	125,000
	10.22	10.21	3.00	1.00	2.00	87.00	3.00	50.00	618.64	97.39	1,110.19	5,000
5.00	5.00	10.00	5.00	7.00	2.50		5.00		400.00	65.00	587.00	4,000
		6.00	6.00			55.00	28.00		163.00	254.00	482.00	3,000
38.40	41.27	41.27	96.00	19.20	9.60	55.00	155.73	117.00	300.00	487.25	1,172.95	15,000
			15.44			5.50	72.23		185.71	25.04	351.67	1,500
												80,000
8.48		8.48	22.20	4.24	2.12	10.00	26.30	6.00	180.00	28.00	362.44	4,000
82.88	\$ 213.30	\$ 363.02	\$ 463.44	\$ 82.56	\$ 25.62	\$ 659.26	\$ 933.14	\$ 510.28	\$10,686.85	\$ 5,802.82	\$21,493.45	\$214,200

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SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—EASTERN N. C. CONFERENCE.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Number on Cradle Roll.	Total Number on Roll.	Amount Raised During Year.
Amelia.....	B. H. Phelps, Clayton, N. C., R. 2.....	6	57	\$ 28.53	
Antioch.....	S. B. Spragins, Gasburg, Va.....	8	42	18.04	
Auburn.....	Earlie Jones, Raleigh, N. C., R. 2.....	6	76	10.00	
Bethlehem.....	W. A. Moore, Littleton, N. C., R. 3.....	14	45	16.50	
Beulah.....	A. R. Perry, Wake Forest, N. C., R. 2.....	7	67	10.00	
Caroleigh.....	W. O. Murchison, Raleigh, N. C., R. 3.....	7	46	12.00	
Cary.....	R. F. Braswell, Cary, N. C.....	6	36	29.39	
Catawba Springs.....	M. C. Sorrell, Apex, N. C., R. 1.....	10	108	140.00	
Chapel Hill.....	F. S. Wilder, Chapel Hill, N. C.....	9	70	64.60	
Christian Chapel.....	R. B. Dickens, Corinth, N. C.....	5	72	12.00	
Christian Light.....	E. C. Blanchard, Fuquay Springs, N. C.....	8	118	24.00	
Clayton.....	W. H. Duncan, Clayton, N. C.....	6	18	90	
Damascus.....	Robert Daniel, Chapel Hill, N. C., R. 3.....	5	50	46.76	
Ebenezer.....	C. B. Sanders, Morrisville, N. C., R. 1.....	16	82	27.83	
Fuller's Chapel.....	W. S. Briggs, Henderson, N. C., R. 4.....	6	65	74.65	
Good Hope.....	Z. T. May, Youngsville, N. C., R. D.....	6	56	20.00	
Hayes Chapel.....	Lee Wilford, Garner, N. C.....	4	44	10.00	
Henderson.....	J. A. Hall, Henderson, N. C.....	10	110	228.24	
Lebanon.....	Willie Watson, Sanford, N. C., R. 2.....	8	47	7.30	
Liberty.....	R. C. Ausborn, Henderson, N. C., R. 1.....	24	21	271	
Mebane.....	J. O. Fowler, Mebane, N. C.....	5	40	51.00	
Morrisville.....	E. W. Clements, Morrisville, N. C.....	6	24	30.00	
Moore's Union.....	C. A. Maddox, Sanford, N. C., R. 2.....	6	96	35.44	
Mt. Auburn.....	J. A. Kimball, Manson, N. C.....	9	84	75.00	
Mt. Carmel.....	R. N. Evans, Franklinton, N. C., R. 1.....	13	8	50	
Mt. Gilead.....	W. C. Wilder, Castalia, N. C., R. D.....	6	37	20.00	
Mt. Hermon.....	Guy Smith, Garner, N. C., R. 1.....	7	77	27.16	
New Elam.....	G. F. Carr, New Hill, N. C., R. 2.....	7	70	64.25	
New Hope.....	M. H. Privett, Louisburg, N. C., R. 1.....	14	146	59.41	
Oak Level.....	R. N. Mitchell, Youngsville, N. C., R. D.....	6	66	63.37	
Piney Plain.....	J. B. Stephens, Raleigh, N. C., R. 4.....	5	83	38.43	
Pleasant Hill.....	J. B. Barbour, Fuquay Springs, N. C., R. 1.....	4	14	39	
Pleasant Union.....	M. E. Wilder, Littleton, N. C.....	7	93	42.06	
Plymouth.....	W. B. Rowland, Raleigh, N. C., R. 3.....	5	50	15.85	
Pope's Chapel.....	N. W. Suitt, Franklinton, N. C., R. D.....	7	67	31.67	
Raleigh.....	L. E. Cook, State College, Raleigh, N. C.....	15	145	191.90	
Sanford.....	W. C. Jarrell, Sanford, N. C.....	16	225	233.73	
Shallow Well.....	F. F. Watson, Sanford, N. C.....	11	150	115.00	
Turner's Chapel.....	E. S. Wicker, Sanford, N. C., R. 5.....	8	16	68	
Wake Chapel.....	D. J. Ellis, Varina, N. C.....	12	123	100.23	
Wentworth.....	B. L. Brown, Raleigh, N. C., R. 3.....	8	73	165.72	
Youngsville.....	Mrs. E. M. Carter, Youngsville, N. C.....	6	36	93.77	
Totals.....		354	77	3,093	\$2,598.40

Proceedings of the One Hundred and Tenth Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

CONCORD CHRISTIAN CHURCH, CASWELL CO., N. C.
NOVEMBER 12, 1935.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The One Hundred and Tenth Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches met at 10:30 A. M., with the Concord Christian Church, Caswell Co., N. C., November 12, 1935, and was called to order by the President, Rev. Wm. T. Scott.

The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. L. L. Wyrick, Pastor of Conference Church.

The roll call of ministers and churches showed a quorum present.

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—Revs. J. F. Apple, J. S. Carden, John Rea Chapman, G. C. Crutchfield, H. E. Crutchfield, B. J. Earp, P. H. Fleming, Stanley C. Harrell, F. E. Hyde, J. L. Neese, C. E. Newman, C. H. Rowland, W. T. Scott, H. Shelton Smith, D. M. Spence, Milo J. Sweet, B. H. Watkins, L. L. Wyrick, W. E. Wisseman.

Licentiates—O. A. Elmore, J. E. Neese, I. T. Underwood, Emerson Sanderson.

Churches and Delegates.

Apple's Chapel—J. A. Troutman, Miss Mary Thomas, Miss Mamertus Summers, C. C. Whitesell.

Belew Creek—By letter.

Berea—W. T. Warren, Mrs. W. Luther Iseley, Miss Frona Taylor, J. M. Sharpe.

Bethel—J. F. O'Ferrell, W. T. Miles, Miss Elizabeth King, Mrs. J. M. Hurdle.

Bethlehem—Miss Mabel Somers, G. E. Somers, Mrs. G. E. Brown, G. E. Brown.

Carolina—Mrs. K. T. Murray, Mrs. J. W. Trollinger.

Concord—J. T. Allred, W. R. Simmons, G. G. Anderson.

Danville—Miss Bessie Mitchell, Rev. M. T. Sorrell, Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. J. H. Dodd.

Durham—W. P. Perry, W. Waldo Boone, Mrs. S. C. Harrell, J. L. Cash.

Elk Spur—Mrs. Will Ayers, Mrs. Laura Meredith.

Elon College—J. C. McAdams, Mrs. Milo J. Sweet, Mrs. B. H. McCarn, C. D. Johnston, Mrs. W. P. Lawrence.

Greensboro, First—Mrs. Grace E. Stewart, Mrs. J. R. Foster, H. V. Simpson, J. R. Truitt.

Greensboro, Palm St.—Doyle Murrcheson, Jr.

Happy Home—E. M. Gunn, Mrs. E. M. Gunn.

Haw River—W. E. Cook, Miss Emma Thomas, Miss Mary Thomas. Mrs. Rosa Phillips.

Hebron—J. H. Williamson, H. W. Williamson.

Hines Chapel—A. D. Gerringer, Mrs. R. W. Iseley, Miss Vera Gerringer, R. W. Iseley.

Hopedale—

Howard's Chapel—W. B. Madison, J. C. Madison.

Ingram—G. I. Satterfield, Mrs. Charlie Ferrell, Miss Mattie Henderson, Miss Gladys Dunn.

Kallam Grove—Franklin B. Faulks, Reuben Faulks, J. W. Wilson, J. F. Faulks.

Lebanon—Mrs. Raymond Brandon, Miss Marcie Lee Scott.

Liberty—

Long's Chapel—Mrs. W. E. Barnette, Mrs. J. Walter Johnston, Mrs. J. A. Wyatt.

Lynchburg—M. V. Drinkard.

Monticello—E. J. Sanderson, Miss Myrtle Rudd, Miss Tora McKenney, Mrs. J. E. Cumbie.

Mt. Bethel—Miss Claudia Mae McCollum, Miss Dorothy Knight, Mrs. S. A. McCollum.

Mt. Zion—Mrs. Pattie McAdams, George Strayhorn, Zeb H. Lynch.

New Hope—

New Lebanon—J. I. Sharpe, Stella Sharpe, Mrs. J. I. Sharpe, Miss Laura Sharpe.

Pleasant Grove—By letter.

Pleasant Ridge—Lake Pegram, Ray Higgins, O. D. Nelson.

Reidsville—Mrs. E. H. Abell, Mrs. Edd Mitchell, Mr. J. L. Wray, E. L. Andrews.

Rocky Ford—Mrs. Walter Edwards, Mrs. Kenn Marsh.

Salem Chapel—Miss Frankye Marshall.

Salisbury—

Shallow Ford—Clair H. Crouse.

Union (N. C.)—J. H. Wilkins, Mrs. L. L. Hooper.

Union (Va.)—Mrs. C. E. Newman, Mrs. Alfred Hayes.

Winston-Salem—Miss Lillian Brown, Mrs. C. W. Cranford, Mr. and Mrs. Roba V. Haizlip.

The Program Committee submitted the printed program as the official order of business for this session of Conference.

On motion the program was adopted subject to such changes as Conference may vote.

Report of Executive Committee was submitted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, the Executive Committee of the North Carolina, and Virginia Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches, have transacted the following business of the Conference since the last session.

We have approved the letter of transfer of Rev. B. J. Earp from the Virginia Valley Central Conference and the request that he be received as a member of this Conference, and have enrolled Brother Earp as a regularly ordained Elder of this Conference.

We have received a recommendation from the Committee on Education of this Conference that Rev. O. A. Elmore, who holds certificates of licensure and ordination from the Baptist Church, be recognized as a licentiate of this Conference. We have approved the recommendation and enrolled Brother Elmore as a licentiate.

W. T. SCOTT,
STANLEY C. HARRELL,
G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,

Committee

On motion report adopted.

Special Committees appointed as follows:

Finance—Zeb Lynch, Rev. D. M. Spence, John T. Allred, Jule Pace.

Collectors—H. V. Simpson, Rev. L. L. Wyrick, J. H. Wilkins..

Resolutions—Rev. J. L. Neese, Miss Frankye Marshall, Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, Rev. H. E. Crutchfield, Mrs. Lacy Hooper.

Place of Next Meeting—Rev. J. L. Neese, W. E. Cook, Mrs. C. P. Aldridge.

Nominations—C. D. Johnston, Rev. C. E. Newman, Paul Shaw, Miss Mabel Somers, Rev. J. S. Carden, Dr. P. H. Fleming.

Press—Revs. W. E. Wisseman, B. H. Watkins, P. H. Fleming, B. J. Earp.

Report in part of Committee on Education was presented as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

We, the Committee on Education, recommend that Revs. Milo J. Sweet and John R. Chapman, who have been regularly ordained ministers of the North Carolina Conference of Congregational Conference, and who have presented letters of transfer and made application for membership in this Conference, be duly received and enrolled as Elders in this Conference.

Rev. W. E. Wisseman has presented a Deacon's Certificate and an Elder's Certificate from the Methodist Episcopal Church. Both Certificates were in due form and order, and bore the seal and signatures of the Church and of the Bishop. Brother Wisseman makes application for membership in this Conference. We recommend that he be duly received and enrolled as an Elder in this Conference.

P. H. FLEMING,
C. H. ROWLAND,
STANLEY C. HARRELL,

Committee

On motion the report was adopted.

The petition of First Congregational Church of Asheville was presented as follows:

TO THE NORTH CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA
CONGREGATIONAL-CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE,

GREETINGS:

This is to certify that the First Congregational Church of Asheville, North Carolina is a member in good and regular standing of the Conference of Congre-

gational Churches of the Carolinas, and was, at its own request by unanimous vote of said conference at its regularly called meeting at Circular Congregational Church of Charleston, South Carolinas, October 24, 1935, granted a letter of dismission and recommendation to the North Carolina and Virginia Congregational-Christian Conference and the Registrar was authorized and directed to issue this credential at once.

Fraternally yours,
M. J. SWEET, Registrar.

On motion the Asheville Church was received and duly enrolled as a member of the Conference.

Moved and carried that the Executive Committee be authorized to receive and enroll any other Congregational Churches or ministers that may apply.

President L. E. Smith, Eastern Virginia Conference, Dr. G. O. Lankford, Western Conference, Rev. J. L. Foster, Eastern Virginia Conference, Aubrey Todd, Eastern Virginia Conference, W. Millard Stevens, Alabama Conference, were on motion invited to seats as deliberative members. Licentiate O. A. Elmore was introduced to Conference.

Moved and carried that the licentiates of Conference be invited to seats as deliberative members and given the privilege of the floor at this session.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

We, your Committee on Superannuation, recommend as follows:

1. That the following be continued as Superannuates in this Conference: Mrs. P. T. Klapp, Mrs. L. I. Cox, Mrs. J. P. Barrett, Mrs. C. C. Peel, Mrs. J. W. Knight, Mrs. H. T. Moffitt and Rev. J. S. Carden.

2. That the Board of Superannuation of the Southern Christian Convention be asked that these share with the applicants from the other Conferences to their Board as funds in hand will permit.

3. That we recognize the importance of this fund to the extent that each church of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference be urged to raise the Superannuated apportionment each year in full.

4. That each church cooperate with the plan of the United Church in taking a Special Christmas Offering for the Superannuated Fund and forward the proceeds to Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Chairman of the Board of Superannuation of the Southern Christian Convention.

C. E. NEWMAN,
W. E. COOK,
Committee

On motion the report was adopted.

The Treasurer's Report was given as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on Hand, 1933-34	\$	80.50
Received from Conference, 1934	3,111.35	
Received from Durham Church, 1934-35	50.00	
Received from Danville Church, 1934-35	75.10	
Interest	1.20	
		<hr/> 3,318.15

DISBURSEMENTS.

Draft No. 92 W. C. Wicker, Treasurer Southern Conv. . . .	2,700.00
Draft No. 93 B. J. Earp, C. M. A.	300.00
Draft No. 94 H. V. Simpson, Refund	100.00
Draft No. 95 Stanley C. Harrell, Sec. Work	25.00
Draft No. 96 Central Publishing Co., on Annuals	50.00
Draft No. 97 Central Publishing Co., Bal. on Annuals ...	50.00
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	3,225.00

Balance on Hand, November 1, 1935\$ 93.15

W. WALDO BOONE, *Treasurer.*

On motion Report of Treasurer was referred to Finance Committee.

Annual Address: "Christian Essentials and Purposes," President W. T. Scott.

Prayer by Dr. L. E. Smith.

Conference adjourned.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order at 1:45 P. M.

Devotional service by Rev. D. M. Spence.

Moved and carried that the Committee on Religious Literature be requested to take cognizance of the 100th Anniversary of American Bible Society and 400th Anniversary of translation of Bible into the English language.

Dr. W. C. Wicker, President of Eastern North Carolina Conference, Rev. Emerson Sanderson, Pastor Monticello Church, Rev. R. T. Grisom of Eastern North Carolina Conference and pastor of our churches at Elk Spur and Rocky Ford were presented to Conference.

The Report on Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor was submitted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND
CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Your Committee on Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies submits the following report:

We have little that is new to recommend but we would urge every church to make use of all the materials available. We would like to call attention to the work of the Congregational Education Society, 14 Beacon St., Boston, Mass. This society carries a series of materials for every age group and also makes provision for leadership training courses by correspondence. We would like to call attention to the work of the Department of World Friendship which offers materials for Missionary programs.

We would make the following recommendations:

1. We seek to correlate the Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies more effectively with the work of the local church and the denomination at large.

2. We commend the work of the Youth Fellowship of our Conference to our churches and urge the cooperation of all Youth Groups throughout our Conference.

3. We would recommend that our churches through the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Societies support the Elon Leadership Conference. That wherever possible local Leadership Training Schools be conducted.

4. We urge every Sunday School to become a World Service Sunday School. (Further information to be secured from Congregational Educational Society.)

5. That we use our own denominational literature in all our church schools.

6. That our Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Societies study some books on Worship and seek to make our worship services more effective.

7. We would urge our churches and pastors to organize Christian Endeavor Societies in churches where there are no societies functioning.

8. That all Christian Endeavor Societies within the boundaries of our conference be affiliated with the State Christian Endeavor Convention.

9. That every church cooperate in the State Wide Youth Conference to be held in Winston-Salem, November 29th, 30th and December 1st. Every church is entitled to two delegates, pastor and Youth Counselor.

10. That every church be represented at the next session of the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention to be held at Ingram, Va.

11. That our Sunday School take an offering monthly for Missions and the Orphanage and quarterly for the College.

12. That in the future that this Committee function under the name of the Committee on Christian Education.

Respectfully submitted,

J. ERVIN HYDE,
FRANKYE MARSHALL,
W. B. TRUITT,
W. T. DUNN,
W. H. ELDER,

Committee.

Address on Sunday Schools—Rev. B. J. Earp.

Address on Christian Endeavor—Rev. Aubrey C. Todd.

On motion the report was adopted.

Address: "A Christian Service Through Our Orphanage," by Supt. Chas. D. Johnston.

Report of Committee on Stewardship was presented as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP.

We, your committee, recommend:

First, that the pastors and teachers of our Conference make a definite effort to emphasize the importance of Stewardship in all departments of the Church program in the light of the New Testament teaching.

Second, that we use our time and energy as good Stewards of the manifold grace of God to buy up the opportunities as they come to us daily.

Third, that we seek anew, to present our bodies as living sacrifices, holy and acceptable unto God, which is our reasonable service.

B. H. WATKINS,
D. M. SPENCE,

Committee

Address—Rev. B. H. Watkins.

On motion the report was adopted.

Report of Committee on Entertainment.

On motion Conference adjourned.

Prayer—Dr. W. C. Wicker.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President.

Devotional Service—Rev. J. S. Carden.

Minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

Enrollment of ministers and delegates.

The President recognized Dr. C. H. Rowland, former President of Conference.

Moved and carried that the President be requested to furnish a copy of the address delivered yesterday to *The Christian Sun* for publication.

The Home Mission Board reported as follows:

REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD.

The Home Mission work this year has been carried on through the C. M. A. sponsoring the work at Winston-Salem. You will find the proceedings of the C. M. A. with all its reports and actions, printed in the 1934 ANNUAL. There is one item that needs to be noted, namely, that the membership dues which has been heretofore, ten dollars per year, has been reduced to five dollars per year, with the hope in mind that we will have five hundred paid-up subscribers. We are anxious that every church in this Conference be represented at the C. M. A. meeting this year, which meets with the Reidsville Church, December 3rd. Please arrange now to have some one attend that meeting. If you have not as yet paid your membership dues will you please see Rev. B. J. Earp who is the financial secretary, or Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Treasurer, and pay them at once, so we will be able to close out our year's work and meet our financial obligations.

Since there has been but one church that has asked for assistance from this committee, for the coming year, we conclude that all the others are going fine, which we earnestly hope is true, and, since there are no funds from which to draw from other than the C. M. A. and a very small one set aside by this Conference. We make the following recommendations:

First, that every pastor and church take the work of the C. M. A. to heart and render to it their financial assistance.

Second, that the sum of \$250 from Conference fund be set aside to assist the C. M. A. to get well established provided a sufficient amount remains after all Conference expenses are paid.

Third, that the churches of the Conference group themselves into convenient pastorates, locating their minister in their midst and pay him a living salary, which will enable him to give his best time, thought and service to the much needed interest of the building up of the Kingdom of God on earth.

Signed by the Board,

G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,

H. V. SIMPSON,

STANLEY C. HARRELL,

Members of the Board.

Address: "Go and Tell," Rev. W. E. Wisseman.

Solicitation of C. M. A. membership.

On motion report was adopted.

Rev. James Fraser of Elizabethtown, N. Y., was presented to Conference.

The Committee on Nominations reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

The Nominating Committee presents the following nominations for officers of this Conference for the ensuing year:

President, Rev. W. T. Scott; Vice President, Rev. G. C. Crutchfield; Secretary, Rev. Stanley C. Harrell; Assistant Secretary, Rev. John R. Chapman; Treasurer, Dr. W. Waldo Boone; Song Leader, Rev. J. L. Neese; Home Mission Board, Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, Rev. W. B. Truitt, Stanley C. Harrell, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, H. V. Simpson and Rev. W. T. Scott, *ex-officio*.

The following are nominated as delegates to the Southern Convention.

Ministers—J. O. Atkinson, J. F. Apple, J. S. Carden, G. C. Crutchfield, B. H. Watkins, P. H. Fleming, C. H. Rowland, J. L. Neese, C. E. Newman, J. U. Newman, L. L. Wyrick, J. W. Patton, W. T. Scott, H. Shelton Smith, H. E. Crutchfield, John R. Chapman, M. J. Sweet, D. M. Spence, B. J. Earp, W. E. Wiseman..

Laymen—W. T. Dunn, Kemper St. Station, Lynchburg, Va.; H. V. Simpson, 2001 Spring Garden St., Greensboro, N. C.; W. B. Truitt, Greensboro, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Carlton, Paces, Va.; Dr. W. H. Boone, Durham, N. C.; C. D. Johnston, Elon College, N. C.; Mrs. Carrie Sharpe, Wentworth, N. C.; L. E. Crumbie, Brown Summit, N. C.; Z. H. Lynch, Mebane, N. C.; Mrs. J. Walter Johnston, Burlington, N. C.; W. C. Stout, 2846 Patterson St., Winston-Salem, N. C.; Miss Emma Thomas, Haw River, N. C.; W. E. Cook, Haw River, N. C.; Mrs. Hepsie Brown, Gibsonville, N. C.; J. E. Jones, 3rd Avenue, Danville, Va.; H. G. Earp, Milton, N. C.; W. T. Moore, Wentworth, N. C.; Miss Nannie Farmer, News Ferry, Va.

Alternates—Jule Pace, Mebane, N. C.; Mrs. R. E. Apple, Brown Summit, N. C.; Mrs. Clay Murray, Corbett, N. C.; Clyde Isley, Burlington, N. C., R. 4; Mrs. J. A. Wyatt, Burlington, N. C., R. 3; J. C. McAdams, Elon College, N. C.; J. H. Wilkins, Burlington, N. C., R. 2; W. L. Isley, McLeansville, N. C.; W. H. Smith, Reidsville, N. C.; C. H. Crouse, Burlington, N. C., R. 4; Robert Simpson, Summerfield, N. C.; R. J. Hudson, Reidsville, N. C.; Prof. W. B. Terrell, Elon College, N. C.; J. L. Cash, Durham, N. C.; J. E. Wilkins, Elon College, N. C., R. 1; J. G. Fulton, Belew Creek, N. C.; W. E. Walker, Burlington, N. C., R. 4; Mrs. Pattie Huffines, Guilford College, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS MABEL SOMERS,
C. E. NEWMAN,
P. H. FLEMING,
C. D. JOHNSTON,
J. S. CARDEN,

Committee.

Moved and carried that the Secretary cast ballot for the nominees presented by Nominating Committee.

Moved and carried that election of Delegates to General Council be referred to Executive Committee of Conference.

The Committee on Foreign Missions reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

In the tenth chapter of John, we read: "I am come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly." This statement incorporates the heart of Christ's mission on earth. We also read, "And other sheep I have which

are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold and one shepherd." We are commissioned to promote Jesus' plan for the abundant life through education, economic justice, and mutual cultural appreciation. His mission is our mission.

1. We would call attention to the drastic cuts which had to be made last year in order to balance our denominational mission budget. This year the downward course has been stopped, and there has been a slight increase in missionary giving. We call upon this Conference to return to its several churches with a determined effort to advance the progress of the kingdom a year's step forward.

2. We call attention to the tremendous spiritual importance of the missionary in the disturbed and uncertain world of today; and to the spiritual importance of missions in the church of today.

We recommend:

1. Systematic Missionary education for our church schools. The Department of World Fellowship, 14 Beacon Street, Boston, offers splendid adaptable material at very reasonable prices.

2. For the church members we recommend the following periodicals: For a comprehensive insight of world affairs as they affect and are affected by the Church, we recommend *The Christian Century*. As a source of information concerning denominational enterprises, we recommend *Advance*, and the *Missionary Herald at Home and Abroad*. As a medium of contact and inspiration in our Southeast, we recommend THE CHRISTIAN SUN.

We recommend to Woman's Societies and ministers that they recognize the mutual importance of earnest cooperation. We suggest that ministers of churches where there are no missionary societies, contact District Leaders with a view of organizing the women for spiritual development and missionary activity.

We urge members to comprehend the underlying purposes and reasons which prompt the three channels of missionary giving, the Church, the Sunday school, and the Missionary Society; and to encourage each to discharge its full responsibility to the end that all men may be one in Him.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. S. C. HARRELL,
MRS. W. P. LAWRENCE,
J. L. NEESE,
L. L. WYRICK,

Committee.

President L. E. Smith read a paper sent by Dr. J. O. Atkinson entitled, "Missions are Essential."

Mrs. W. P. Lawrence reported for the Woman's Missionary Conference. (See minutes of Woman's Conference.)

Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell spoke of the importance of the Woman's work.

Moved and carried that the Report of Woman's work be accepted and actions approved.

Report of Committee on Foreign Missions was adopted.

The Committee on Apportionments reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We, your Committee on Apportionments in compliance to the Resolution of the Southern Convention, beg to submit Apportionments to Churches as follows:

	Convention Missions	Foreign Missions	Convention Fund	Elon College Fund	Superannuated Fund	Christian Education	Conference Fund	Total
Apples Chapel	\$ 32.50	\$ 32.50	\$ 32.50	\$ 88.00	\$ 17.60	\$ 8.80	\$ 13.50	\$ 233.50
Asheville	15.00	15.00	15.00	40.00	7.00	4.00	4.00	100.00
Belews Creek	11.20	11.20	11.20	28.00	5.60	2.80	4.50	74.50
Berea	27.20	27.20	27.20	68.00	13.60	6.80	10.50	180.50
Bethel	28.80	28.80	28.80	72.00	13.60	6.80	11.00	189.80
Bethlehem	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	233.50
Carolina	8.00	8.00	8.00	20.00	4.00	2.00	4.00	54.00
Concord	16.00	16.00	16.00	40.00	8.00	4.00	6.50	106.50
Danville	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	233.50
Durham	184.00	184.00	184.00	460.00	92.00	46.00	72.00	1,222.00
Elk Spur	4.80	4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	2.00	32.00
Elon College	128.00	128.00	128.00	320.00	64.00	32.00	50.00	850.00
Greensboro	160.00	160.00	160.00	400.00	80.00	40.00	65.00	1,065.00
Greensboro, Palm St.	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	233.50
Happy Home	27.20	27.20	27.30	68.00	13.60	6.80	10.50	180.50
Haw River	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	233.50
Hebron	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	127.50
Hines Chapel	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	233.50
Hopedale	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	64.00
Howards Chapel	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	64.00
Ingram	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	233.50
Kallams Grove	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	64.00
Lebanon	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	127.50
Liberty	16.00	16.00	16.00	40.00	8.00	4.00	6.50	106.50
Longs Chapel	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	127.50
Lynchburg	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	127.50
Monticello	16.00	16.00	16.00	40.00	8.00	4.00	6.50	106.50
Mt. Bethel	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	127.50
Mt. Zion	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	127.50
New Hope	4.80	4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	2.00	32.00
New Lebanon	22.40	22.40	22.40	56.00	11.20	5.60	9.00	149.00
Pleasant Grove	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	233.50
Pleasant Ridge	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	127.50
Reidsville	52.80	52.80	52.80	132.00	26.40	13.20	20.00	350.00
Rocky Ford	4.80	4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	2.00	32.00
Salem Chapel	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	127.50
Salisbury	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	64.00
Shallow Ford	22.40	22.40	22.40	56.00	11.20	5.60	9.00	149.00
Union, N. C.	27.20	27.20	27.20	68.00	13.60	6.80	10.50	180.50
Union, Va.	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	233.50
Winston-Salem	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	64.00
	\$ 1,280.00	\$ 1,280.00	\$ 1,280.00	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 639.20	\$ 319.60	\$ 503.50	\$ 8,502.30

CHAS. D. JOHNSTON,
N. F. BRANNOCK,
C. E. NEWMAN,

Committee.

By vote the Report of Committee on Apportionments was adopted.
By motion Conference adjourned.
Benediction—Dr. Fraser.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:45 P. M.

Devotional service led by Rev. J. E. Neese.

Report of Committee on Education was presented by Dr. Fleming as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Through the past forty-five years, Elon College has been one of the most potent factors in the development of the Southern Convention. It has been the training center for the ministry of the Church. It has inspired and trained many of the lay workers who are today occupying various positions of influence and leadership in many of our churches. There is no point in recounting here the manifold difficulties that have beset the college in recent years. But we do need here to take cognizance of the fact that a new day has dawned for Elon College. The faculty represents the best training and scholarship that modern scholarship affords. The enrollment is the largest that the institution has ever had. There is a fine spirit of cooperation among both students and faculty. The general public is aware of the changes that have taken place, and on every hand one meets words of commendation and praise for Elon. The conditions herein enumerated are both a source of gratification and a challenge. Now, of all times in the history of the college, every member of the Southern Convention should give every possible aid and encouragement to President Smith and to those who are working with him in the college program. Our gifts, our patronage and our prayers should be solidly behind the college. If every church does its best to meet the apportionment for the college it will go a long way toward insuring the continued progress of Elon College.

Licentiate J. Everette Neese is a member of the Senior Class in Elon College. Four churches make application and recommendation for the ordination of Brother Neese. Your committee is convinced of the sincerity and earnestness of Brother Neese. It is, however, the unanimous conviction of the members of the committee that the Conference should adhere to the policy of deferring ordinations until the completion of the college course. We therefore recommend that the Executive Committee be instructed to arrange for the ordination of Brother Neese upon the completion of his college work.

Rev. O. A. Elmore, holding certificates of licensure and ordination from the Baptist Church appeared before your committee in June with the request that his licensure be recognized by this Conference and that he be received as a licentiate. Bro. Elmore is a student in the Freshman Class at Elon College. He makes application for the recognition of his ordination. We recommend that he be continued as a licentiate of the Conference.

Licentiates R. H. Coble and I. T. Underwood, who have held license from this Conference for a number of years, earnestly request that their license be continued. We recommend that this request be granted and the license be continued for another year.

Licentiate Emerson J. Sanderson, now serving as pastor of Monticello Christian Church, presented Certificate of Licensure from the Ontario Christian Conference, Ontario, Canada, and requested that he be received as a licentiate of this Conference. We recommend that he be so received.

Rev. W. Millard Stevens of the Alabama Conference approached the committee relative to a transfer of membership. We recommend that if and when the proper credentials are presented that he be enrolled as an Elder in this Conference.

Rev. F. Ervin Hyde has accepted work in the Eastern North Carolina Conference. He requests that a letter of transfer be granted for him to that body. We recommend that the letter be granted as requested.

This Conference, in session at Mt. Zion Christian Church on November 16, 1932, adopted the following recommendation:

"We, the Elders of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference, recommend to Conference that the credentials of Rev. T. B. Dawson as a minister of the gospel be revoked and that he be called upon to surrender same to the Secretary of Conference." The Secretary called upon Bro. Dawson to surrender his credentials, but he refused to do this. Your Committee is also informed that not long since Bro. Dawson publicly and under oath claimed that he was a minister in good standing of this Conference. He now makes a sworn statement that his credentials are lost. Your Committee recommends that in order to protect the good name of this Conference and the churches it represents, that the Conference publish in THE CHRISTIAN SUN and the secular press the fact that the credentials of T. B. Dawson have been revoked for conduct unbecoming a Christian and a minister.

P. H. FLEMING,
C. H. ROWLAND,
STANLEY C. HARRELL,
Committee.

President Smith presented the works of Elon College under the theme: "Elon College Witnesses."

Rev. W. Millard Stevens spoke of the religious life on the campus.

Stanley C. Harrell presented what Elon College has done for this Conference through the ministry by calling all ministers connected with this Conference who have been students at Elon and asking them all to stand.

On motion the Report of Committee on Education was adopted.

The Report of Committee on Ministerial Ethics was presented as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL ETHICS.

In making this report we realize that there are so many things that might have a place that there is a danger that emphasis may be lost in a multiplicity of details. We are therefore limiting our report to three specific things.

First, we would call attention to the three-fold harm that a minister may do by repeating rumors that are derogatory to the good name and reputation of a brother minister. Such rumors harm the cause of Christ, they hurt the influence of the man about whom the rumors are related, and among the most thoughtful people they reflect upon the teller. The Christian course is to seek to help the weaker brother by example and Christian influence.

Second. We would speak a word about the way in which a minister who has just left a field may make it difficult for his successor. The minister who has deserved the place he has occupied will leave many ties that will be difficult for him to break. He may receive calls to return for weddings and funerals. Many former members may seek to advise with and discuss the problems of the work with their old minister who is familiar with all details of the parish work. It is agreed by all who consider this situation impersonally that the safest course for the minister who has left is for him to sever as completely as possible all connections with his former parish.

Third, we would call attention to the fact that today the best thought of the world is turning from competition to cooperation, as the hope of the world. If a fine spirit of Christian cooperation can be practiced anywhere it ought to be between ministers of the Gospel. Yet one hears rumors that "rugged individualism" sometimes maintains among ministers themselves; that there is competition and underbidding for prospective fields; and among our own churches we have failed so far to effectively group our churches, and the reason most often given is that preachers will break up such groupings by accepting churches that seem to them to be especially desirable. In kingdom work there must be a fine

spirit of cooperation if the highest success is to be attained. Perhaps our individual interests prevent our making the clearest judgments. If too many personal interests are involved in the decisions we are called upon to make, we might do well to seek the counsel of disinterested brethren whose judgment we respect.

STANLEY C. HARRELL,
F. ERVIN HYDE,
G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,
D. M. SPENCE,

Committee.

On motion the report was adopted.

The Committee on Place made recommendation that in the future the sessions of Conference may be according to the Harvard plan, with a charge for meals not to exceed 40c.

On motion the recommendation was adopted.

The Report of Committee on Religious Literature was presented as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Your Committee would urge the people to read the Bible, for we are commanded to "search the scriptures," and those who search find eternal life. The Bible has been a vital factor in the development of civilization.

Again your Committee would encourage the use of our own denominational literature in Sunday school and other organizations of our local churches.

We would also recommend the periodical publications of our United Church.

Your Committee commends the Woman's Missionary Societies for their zeal and enthusiasm in organized study of Missionary literature.

Again your Committee wishes to place before the Conference our own publication THE CHRISTIAN SUN. We do not wish to try to get along without it. Let us adopt the slogan, "*The Christian Sun in every Christian home*," and put forth every effort possible to bring it about.

H. E. CRUTCHFIELD,
J. EVERETTE NEESE,
MRS. C. H. ROWLAND,

Committee.

Rev. G. C. Crutchfield made verbal report for the committee appointed at the last session to work to increase the circulation of *The Christian Sun*.

General discussion on the Report.

On motion the Report on Religious Literature was adopted.

Committee on Place reported invitations from Bethlehem and Greensboro, First Church, with recommendation to hold the next session at Greensboro.

On motion the recommendation was adopted.

On motion Conference adjourned.

Benediction by Dr. C. H. Rowland.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Worship service conducted by Rev. B. J. Earp.

Sermon: "Repent Ye for the Kingdom of Heaven Is At Hand."—
Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, Pastor of Burlington Christian Church.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:30 A. M.

Devotional by Dr. P. H. Fleming. Conference joined in singing a hymn entitled, "Faith, Hope and Love," composed by Dr. Fleming.

Enrollment of delegates.

Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Ministerial and church letters were read before Conference.

Report of Committee on Moral Reform was presented as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

We are living in a restless, hurrying age, an age of intemperance, irreverence, irreligion, materialism, unfaithfulness, adultery, murder and bloodshed, and a disregard for the sanctity of the law. These evils threaten the very life of our nation. If they go unchecked, the breakdown of the nation will come sooner or later.

We are spending about three times as much for crime as for education. It is said that we have an army of criminals numbering about five hundred thousand. Our jails and penitentiaries are being filled with criminals of an average age limit of nineteen years. Have the home, the church and the school failed in the training of our youth? It seems true to a large extent.

The divorce evil is rampant. About twenty per cent of our marriages end in the divorce courts. This means a breaking up of the homes, or the foundation of our nation.

Many of our people have lost the sense of God. Like Israel of old, they have forgotten God. We do not mean to say that all are bad, or going to the bad, but we have a fertile soil for every sort of iniquity. The soil of Godless hearts is the soil from which the harvest of iniquity springs.

What we would like to say to America is: "Wake up, America! Forsake your evil ways, put away your false gods, and return unto Jehovah!" Yes, what we need today is a clarion call of a great inspiration along lines of moral and spiritual achievement. What our civilization needs is a spiritual redemption.

What the church needs is a baptism of the Holy Ghost and fire. There is too much world in the church. Church membership does not have the meaning that it should have or has had in the past.

Therefore be it resolved:

1. That the only solution for our present day ills is in the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ.

2. That we place a greater emphasis on religion in the home.

3. That we take our discipleship more seriously.

4. That we as a church give ourselves fully to the task of making this a better world.

5. That our entire membership prove its love and loyalty and allegiance to Christ and His Church.

6. That we pray earnestly and without ceasing for a revival of religion that will sweep multitudes into the Kingdom.

7. That we, the North Carolina and Virginia Congregational-Christian Conference, go on record as condemning the increasing use of liquor and practical immorality which is widespread in our Community and Country as a whole, and that we ask our ministers to condemn the same from the pulpit. That we ask our press Committee to have this resolution printed in the daily paper.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. APPLE,
H. S. SMITH,
J. S. CARDEN,

Committee.

Address by Dr. H. Shelton Smith, who used as his subject: "The Gospel of God for an Unregenerate Age."

On motion the Report on Moral Reform was adopted.

The collectors reported a total of \$3,769.85 sent to Conference on Apportionments during the year with Apple's Chapel, Berea, Bethlehem, Elk Spur, Elon College, First Church, Greensboro, Happy Home, Hines Chapel, Ingram, Lynchburg, Mt. Bethel, Mt. Zion, New Lebanon, Rocky Ford, Union (N. C.), and Winston-Salem sending all apportionments in full, thus becoming the Banner Churches of the Conference. On motion the Report of the Collectors was adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the report of Dr. W. Waldo Boone, Treasurer, and find same to be correct.

We recommend the payment of the following bills: Dr. Stanley C. Harrell, \$25.00 for secretarial work, and the bills for stationery, supplies, programs, annuals, postage, etc.

We further recommend that the money brought to Conference by the churches for all purposes, except the Conference Fund be forwarded to Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treasurer of the Southern Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches for the purposes as indicated by the churches.

ZEB H. LYNCH,
JULIUS PACE,
J. T. ALLRED,
D. M. SPENCE,

Committee.

On motion the report was adopted.

The Press Committee reported that its duty had been discharged.

Standing Committees were announced as follows:

Executive—W. T. Scott, Stanley C. Harrell, G. C. Crutchfield.

Education—Stanley C. Harrell, P. H. Fleming, J. O. Atkinson, J. U. Newman, C. H. Rowland, H. Shelton Smith.

Christian Education—W. E. Wisseman, W. T. Dunn, Miss Dorothy Truitt, Rev. H. E. Crutchfield.

Moral Reform—John R. Chapman, H. S. Smith, Mrs. W. E. Wisseman.

Superannuation—C. E. Newman, Dr. W. H. Boone, W. E. Cook, Zeb Lynch, J. L. Neese.

Ministerial Ethics—D. M. Spence, W. B. Truitt, W. H. Elder, J. S. Carden, H. E. Crutchfield.

Religious Literature—B. J. Earp, Millard Stevens, Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Emerson Sanderson.

Foreign Missions—Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, Mrs. M. J. Sweet, Mrs. W. P. Lawrence, L. L. Wyrick, J. O. Atkinson.

Budget and Apportionment—C. D. Johnston, S. D. Scott, M. J. Sweet, G. C. Crutchfield.

Stewardship—B. H. Watkins, J. F. Apple, J. E. Neese, O. A. Elmore.

Home Mission Board—G. C. Crutchfield, W. B. Truitt, S. C. Harrell, J. O. Atkinson, H. V. Simpson, W. T. Scott, *ex officio*.

Moved and carried that the minutes of this session of conference be printed in THE CHRISTIAN ANNUAL, the Conference taking 200 copies for pro-rata distribution among the churches.

MEMORIAL TO SOUTHERN CONVENTION.

Whereas it appears that the year's financial achievements of this Conference under the financial scheme recommended by the Southern Convention at its last session and adopted by this Conference at its last session, is working with splendid success where it is being followed, and whereas the only criticism frequently heard is that all enterprises of the Church and all monies raised are not included therein, we would memorialize the Southern Convention to adopt a scheme of finance in which all the enterprises and institutions of the Church may show, and in which all the mission and benevolence gifts of our churches may be included.

On motion the Memorial was adopted.

The North Carolina Council of Churches was presented to Conference and was formally approved; and Prof. H. Shelton Smith was elected as the representative of this Conference.

Report of Committee on Resolutions was presented as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

1. That we express by a rising vote our sincere thanks to the pastor, members and friends of this local church for the splendid hospitality extended to the members and visitors of this Conference.

2. That we express our appreciation to the officers of this session of Conference for their efficient service in conducting so faithfully the business and work of this Conference.

3. That we thank all those who have appeared on the program for the information and inspiration they have given us.

4. We would further express our gracious appreciation to the Youth Fellowship and to Dr. J. H. Lightbourne for their special services rendered during this session of Conference.

5. That our pastors and delegates return to their local fields with an inspired determination to carry out the recommendations and suggestions of this Conference.

J. L. NEESE,
W. E. WISSEMAN,
H. E. CRUTCHFIELD,

Committee.

On motion the Report on Resolutions was adopted.

It was moved and carried that this Conference approve the idea of holding a conference of pastors to enlist the interest and cooperation of all the churches in promoting the work of the Conference and that Stanley C. Harrell, G. C. Crutchfield, W. T. Scott, serve as a committee on program.

Moved and carried that the date of said meeting be fixed for Dec. 9th, at 10:00 A. M., and Elon College, N. C. as the place.

Minutes of today's session were read and approved.

Moved and carried that following the closing service that the Conference adjourn to meet Tuesday, after the second Sunday in November, 1936, with the First Christian Church, Greensboro, N. C.

Dr. C. H. Rowland brought a timely closing message.

W. T. SCOTT, *President*,
Winston-Salem, N. C.,
STANLEY C. HARRELL, *Secretary*,
Durham, N. C.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

J. F. Apple—Churches: Bethel, Mt. Zion, Pleasant Ridge (Western Conf.). Sermons, 66; conversions, 20; members received, 10; marriages, 10; addresses, 5; baptisms, 8; visits, 158; funerals, 11; salary, \$747.99.

J. O. Atkinson—Mission Secretary, Southern Convention; Editor of *The Christian Sun*. Sermons, 2; addresses, 12; funerals, 1; salary, \$2,400.00.

J. S. Carden—Churches: Morrisville, Mt. Hermon (Eastern Conf.). Sermons 45; conversions, 20; members received, 4; marriages, 2; funerals, 5; salary, \$198.

Roy. D. Coulter—Presbyterian Church, Ridgetop, Tenn. Sermons, 115; conversions, 38; members received, 42; marriages, 2; addresses, 9; baptisms, 16; visits, 1,134; funerals, 18; salary, \$950.00.

G. C. Crutchfield—Churches: Berea, Providence Memorial, Bethlehem. Sermons, 90; conversions, 20; members received, 20; marriages, 4; addresses, 10; baptisms, 16; visits, 1,500; funerals, 30; salary, \$900.00.

H. E. Crutchfield—Churches: Apple's Chapel, Ingram. Sermons, 106; conversions, 30; members received, 24; marriages, 6; addresses, 2; baptisms, 20; visits, 450; funerals, 14; salary, \$800.00.

B. J. Earp—Churches: Hines' Chapel, Palm St. Greensboro. Sermons, 127; conversions, 22; members received, 22; marriages, 2; baptisms, 11; visits, 766; funerals, 11; salary, \$1,440.00.

P. H. Fleming—Churches: Long's Chapel, Union (N. C.). Sermons, 50; members received, 5; marriages, 15; funerals, 10; salary, \$700.00.

Stanley C. Harrell—Churches: Durham, O'Kelly's Chapel. Sermons, 120; conversions, 12; members received, 20; marriages, 11; addresses, 16; baptisms, 10; visits, 300; funerals, 12; salary, \$2,500.00.

F. Ervin Hyde—Churches: Monticello to Sept., Sanford and Shallow Well since Sept. Sermons, 118; conversions, 12; members received, 4; marriages, 2; addresses, 8; baptisms, 4; visits, 827; funerals, 11; salary, \$900.00.

J. L. Neese—Churches: Reidsville, New Lebanon. Sermons, 159; conversions, 174; members received, 95; marriages, 8; addresses, 7; baptisms, 85; visits, 800; funerals, 20; salary, \$1,500.00.

C. E. Newman—Churches: Union (Va.), Lebanon, Liberty, (Va.), Hebron. Sermons, 84; conversions, 50; members received, 53; marriages, 4; addresses, 6; baptisms, 40; visits, 400; funerals, 25; salary, \$1,000.00.

J. U. Newman—Professor, Elon College.

J. W. Patton—Masonic Lecturer, and supplying various pulpits.

C. H. Rowland—Church: First, Greensboro. Sermons, 20; members received, 20; marriages, 4; funerals, 2; salary, \$1,982.00.

W. T. Scott—Church: Winston-Salem. Sermons, 105; conversions, 8; members received, 18; marriages, 2; addresses, 5; baptisms, 10; visits, 525; funerals, 3; salary, \$1,800.00.

H. Shelton Smith—Professor of Religious Education, Duke University.

D. M. Spence—Churches: Belew Creek, Pleasant Ridge, Salem Chapel. Sermons, 78; members received, 2; marriages, 8; baptisms, 3; visits, 902; funerals, 9; salary, \$750.00.

B. H. Watkins—Church: United, Lynchburg. Sermons, 96; conversions, 11; members received, 21; marriages, 5; addresses, 8; baptisms, 6; visits, 192; funerals, 4; salary \$652.00.

L. L. Wyrick—Churches: Concord, Howard's Chapel, Mt. Pleasant (Wes. Conf.). Sermons, 46; conversions, 17; members received, 8; marriages, 3; baptisms, 6; visits, 333; funerals, 7; salary, \$345.00.

Licentiate—*R. H. Coble*—No church. Sermons, 1; addresses, 3; funerals, 1.

O. A. Elmore—Evangelist and supply. Sermons, 83; conversions, 95; addresses, 16; salary, \$128.22.

J. Everette Neese—Churches: Carolina, Hopedale, Haw River, Martha's Chapel. Sermons, 75; conversions, 54; members received, 18; addresses, 5; visits, 290; funerals, 5; salary, \$779.40.

I. T. Underwood—No church. Sermons, 15; funerals, 1.

CHURCH STATISTICS—NORTH

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Received on Confession.	Received by Letter.	Present Membership.	Paid on Conference Fund.	Paid on Convention Fund.
Apple's Chapel.....	H. E. Crutchfield.	Mrs. R. E. Apple, Brown Summit, N. C.	370	13	.....	369	\$ 13.50	\$ 35.20
Belew Creek.....	D. M. Spence.	J. G. Fulton, Belew Creek, N. C.	93	4	.....	97	10.00	10.00
Berea.....	G. C. Crutchfield.	Miss Frona Taylor, Altamahaw, N. C.	116	9	6	126	10.50	27.20
Bethel.....	J. F. Apple.	Mrs. Ida P. Murray, Mebane, N. C., R. 3	153	5	.....	153	11.00	15.00
Bethlehem.....	G. C. Crutchfield.	Clyde Iseley, Burlington, N. C., R. 4	313	1	1	310	13.50	35.20
Carolina.....	J. E. Neese.	J. W. Trollinger, Burlington, N. C., R. 3	62	3	.....	65	4.00	8.00
Concord.....	L. L. Wyrick.	J. T. Allred, Burlington, N. C., R. 2	97	2	.....	97	6.50	16.00
Danville.....	M. T. Sorrell.	Mrs. W. V. Crawford, Bouldin Ave.	549	22	38	602	13.50	35.20
Durham.....	S. C. Harrell.	A. T. Crutchfield, City Hall, Durham.	449	12	8	458	72.00	184.00
Elk Spur.....	R. T. Grissom.	R. T. Grissom, Acting, Fancy Gap, Va.	77	1	.....	66	2.00	4.80
Elon College.....	L. E. Smith.	Mrs. Nannie D. Reitzel, Elon College.	488	6	4	448	50.00	128.00
Greensboro, First.	W. E. Wisseman.	R. G. Moffitt, 813 Vance St.	497	20	.....	507	65.00	160.00
G'sboro, Palm St.	B. J. Earp.	A. H. Hinshaw, 17 Poplar St.	344	4	7	322	13.50	20.90
Happy Home.....	W. M. Stevens.	Mrs. G. W. Hill, Ruffin, N. C., R. 3	238	8	3	221	10.50	27.20
Haw River.....	L. E. Neese.	Mrs. Rosa B. Thomas, Haw River, N. C.	190	2	2	151	13.50	35.20
Hebron.....	C. E. Newman.	J. Alden Williamson, Nelson, Va., R. 2.	155	.....	.....	138	10.00	5.00
Hines' Chapel.....	B. J. Earp.	L. V. Smith, McLeansville, N. C.	253	11	.....	260	13.50	35.20
Hopedale.....	O. A. Elmore.	Mrs. W. I. Faulkner, Burlington, R. 5.	72	3	.....	73	.....	.....
Howard's Chapel..	.....	W. B. Madison, Reidsville, N. C., R. 4.	28	.....	1	29	4.00	9.60
Ingram.....	H. E. Crutchfield.	Mrs. Charlie Ferrell, Paces, Va.	172	10	1	181	13.50	35.20
Kallam Grove.....	T. J. Green.	Mrs. N. G. Joyner, Madison, N. C., R. 2.	75	1	.....	76	4.00	9.60
Lebanon.....	C. E. Newman.	T. J. Earp, Milton, N. C.	128	.....	.....	126	5.50	5.00
Liberty.....	C. E. Newman.	Jas. T. Whitt, Nathalie, Va.	173	.....	.....	173	7.50	3.80
Long's Chapel.....	P. H. Fleming.	J. W. Johnston, Burlington, N. C., R. 5.	180	.....	.....	174	7.50	19.20
Lynchburg.....	B. H. Watkins.	Mrs. F. H. Dunn, 3407 Memorial Ave.	92	6	15	111	7.50	19.20
Monticello.....	E. J. Sanderson.	Miss Tora Rudd, Brown Summit, N. C.	84	1	2	85	8.60	3.90
Mt. Bethel.....	T. J. Green.	Miss Ethel Friddle, Stokesdale, N. C.	126	.....	.....	125	7.50	19.20
Mt. Zion.....	J. F. Apple.	Geo. Strayhorn, Edand, N. C.	149	3	1	153	7.50	19.20
New Hope.....	No report.	.....	24	.....	.....	24	.....	.....
New Lebanon.....	J. L. Neese.	Miss Carrie Sharpe, Wentworth, N. C.	180	12	1	188	9.00	22.40
Pleasant Grove.....	W. C. Wicker.	Mrs. D. J. Sipe, News Ferry, Va.	290	12	.....	286	13.50	35.20
Pleasant Ridge.....	D. M. Spence.	O. D. Nelson, B. 1072, G'sboro, N. C.	88	.....	.....	83	7.50	19.20
Reidsville.....	J. L. Neese.	Mrs. C. W. Geringer, 36 Montgomery St.	345	72	10	420	20.00	52.80
Rocky Ford.....	R. T. Grissom.	R. T. Grissom, Act'g, Fancy Gap, Va.	65	.....	.....	64	2.00	4.80
Salem Chapel.....	D. M. Spence.	Selma Marshall, Walnut Cove, N. C.	134	1	.....	129	10.00	10.00
Salisbury.....	No report.	.....	48	.....	.....	23	.....	.....
Shallow Ford.....	J. E. Neese.	W. E. Walker, Burlington, N. C., R. 4.	125	.....	.....	124	9.00	22.00
Union (N. C.).....	P. H. Fleming.	W. H. Garrison, Burlington, N. C., R. 2	291	1	4	293	10.60	27.20
Union (Va.).....	C. E. Newman.	J. R. Murray, Virginia, Va., R. 3	391	19	2	408	5.00	5.00
Winston-Salem.....	W. T. Scott.	J. A. Wester, 429 Brent St.	46	7	11	64	4.50	9.60
Totals.....	.....	.....	7680	369	111	7802	\$ 496.70	\$1134.20

CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

Paid on Convention Home Missions.	Paid on Convention Foreign Missions.	Paid on Elon College Fund.	Paid on Superannuated Fund.	Raised for Christian Education.	Raised for Orphanage.	Raised by Missionary Association.	Raised by Woman's Missionary Society.	Raised for Other Benevolences.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Paid on Other Expenses.	Total Raised, Including Sunday School.	Value of Church Property.
\$ 35.20	\$ 35.20	\$ 88.00	\$ 17.60	\$ 8.80	\$ 35.00	\$ 5.00		\$ 79.93	\$ 400.00	\$ 44.00	\$ 954.42	\$ 12,000
1.51	1.92	2.21			7.66				250.00	80.06	363.36	500
27.20	27.20	68.00	13.60	6.80	24.00	5.00		42.07	250.00		619.57	2,500
20.00	20.38	50.00	13.60	6.80	44.95				200.00		407.92	1,700
35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	48.49	10.00	\$ 12.00		380.00	262.49	1,154.29	5,000
8.00	8.00		4.00	2.00	13.90		15.00		131.80	28.55	410.65	500
	10.00	40.00	8.00	1.50					36.75	238.00	516.75	1,100
35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	151.98	15.00	80.00	164.76	1,500.00	2,229.64	4,856.76	18,000
235.93	235.92	130.67	64.00	46.00	467.77	35.00	400.76	19.17	2,500.00	1,728.43	6,443.86	50,000
4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20						5.00	66.44	4,000
128.00	128.00	320.00	64.00	32.00	155.73	15.00	310.00		900.00		2,545.19	7,500
160.00	160.00	400.00	80.00	40.00	130.00		402.00	413.00	2,144.03	1,758.93	6,672.60	50,000
	40.13	46.12	17.60	2.00	74.10	15.00	44.50		1,040.00	993.50	2,636.26	12,000
27.20	27.20	68.00	13.60	6.80	75.80				250.00	1,481.08	2,261.84	3,500
35.20	35.20	9.00	17.60	8.80	75.36		125.00	19.15	252.00	248.43	1,083.01	5,000
5.00	5.00	20.00	10.00	5.00			25.00		150.00	29.00	281.64	1,500
35.20	42.50	88.00	17.60	8.80	86.26	25.00	36.03	77.00	400.00	104.52	1,137.15	3,500
4.30	4.30				13.80			13.20	75.00	45.00	269.95	2,000
10.00	10.00	2.60	4.80	2.40	20.73		10.00	27.65	400.00	8,621.15	9,613.54	8,000
39.50	39.50	89.85	17.60	8.80	67.00		30.04	107.74	93.00	49.50	196.94	500
5.30	5.30	10.00	4.80	2.40					200.00	63.00	425.04	1,500
16.81	18.44	33.70	1.30	2.00	20.59		8.70		150.00		206.90	1,500
6.30	6.30	24.30	4.70	4.00					200.00	25.25	428.04	4,000
19.26	19.26	12.10	3.84	1.20	12.54			36.00	652.22	227.49	1,215.14	7,000
36.57	36.57	64.71	10.00	9.10	96.95		42.62	12.21	555.49	41.35	758.85	2,500
19.11	16.15	11.21	1.30		19.30				200.00	506.00	1,066.65	3,000
19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	56.00			35.00	260.31	40.00	501.10	1,800
19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	12.50	10.00	15.00					1,500
	29.25	29.25	56.00	11.20	5.60	42.00	20.00	131.82	300.00	15.00	826.76	2,000
	28.65	28.65	64.03	17.60	8.70				300.00	273.80	870.76	4,000
	6.93	6.93	9.00	9.60	4.80	18.75	30.00	15.00	250.00		410.04	1,000
	42.00	42.00	39.00			113.50	17.50	130.00	1,200.00	1,561.00	3,873.30	25,000
	4.80	4.80	2.40	1.20					10.00		82.00	2,500
	8.73	7.73	5.00	3.43			35.00		250.00	30.00	418.89	2,000
	23.99	11.00	10.00	5.00	26.49				200.00	543.89	967.20	3,500
	27.20	27.20	68.00	13.60	6.80	18.00	50.00		500.00	149.04	1,029.36	5,000
	28.13	28.14	78.00	5.00	5.00	20.00	75.00	20.00	505.00	3,441.29	4,299.76	15,000
	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	25.00		420.00	864.55	1,558.05	12,000
\$1205.92	\$1241.37	\$2227.50	\$ 523.97	\$ 273.10	\$1953.15	\$ 162.50	\$1921.65	\$1632.45	\$17,683.85	\$26,006.05	\$61,636.76	\$285,100

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—N. C. & VA. CONFERENCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Number on Cradle Roll.	Number in Home Department.	Total Enrollment.	Amount Raised During Year.
Apple's Chapel.....	E. P. Murrell, Brown Summit, N. C.....	15	10	...	225	\$ 156.99
Belew Creek.....	W. C. Stout, Belew Creek, N. C.....	8	...	...	100	...
Berea.....	W. L. Iseley, Elon College, N. C., R. 1.....	10	...	...	...	118.00
Bethel.....	Earl Vinson, Burlington, N. C., R. 2.....	8	...	...	68	26.19
Bethlehem.....	J. E. Wilkins, Elon College, N. C. R. 1.....	16	...	...	200	207.81
Carolina.....	J. W. Trollinger, Burlington, N. C., R. 3.....	8	7	...	137	162.40
Concord.....	Paul Shaw, Altamahaw, N. C.....	4	...	...	39	10.00
Danville.....	P. H. Ricketts, N. Main, Ex., Danville, Va.....	28	30	20	699	481.88
Durham.....	W. H. Elder, 2413 Club Bvd., Durham, N.C.....	48	7	16	310	324.21
Elk Spur.....	W. C. Strickland, Fancy Gap, Va.....	7	...	...	72	29.44
Elon College.....	W. B. Terrell, Elon College, N. C.....	22	...	...	150	47.35
Greensboro First.....	E. C. York, Ashboro St., Greensboro, N. C.....	20	26	...	300	759.64
Greensboro, Palm St.....	Pearlie Hall, Greensboro, N. C., R. 1.....	12	42	...	334	321.46
Happy Home.....	R. J. Hudson, Reidsville, N. C.....	8	...	...	164	274.46
Haw River.....	Herma Neese, Haw River, N. C.....	14	...	...	132	208.57
Hebron.....	Kent Rice, Nelson, Va.....	8	...	...	66	17.64
Hines' Chapel.....	J. W. Barker, Greensboro, N. C., R. 5.....	10	19	...	198	167.54
Hopedale.....	C. B. Sumner, Burlington, N. C., R. 5.....	8	...	...	150	109.35
Howard's Chapel.....	W. B. Madison, Reidsville, N. C., R. 4.....	5	...	...	34	30.00
Ingram.....	J. K. Landrum, Vernon Hill, Va.....	12	...	...	128	143.66
Kallam Grove.....	Robert Foulks, Madison, N. C., R. 2.....	6	...	...	40	13.04
Lebanon.....	H. G. Earp, Milton, N. C.....	...	...	...	...	50.00
Liberty.....	Jas. T. Whitt, Nathalie, Va.....	...	...	...	...	...
Long's Chapel.....	R. W. Barnette, Mebane, N. C.....	9	4	...	104	71.89
Lynchburg.....	J. W. Tolley, 1606 McKinney, Lynchb'g, Va.....	17	...	...	125	...
Monticello.....	Eulin Cumbie, Brown Summit, N. C.....	8	...	...	98	82.44
Mt. Bethel.....	Mrs. I. F. Cummings, Summerfield, N. C.....	9	...	...	126	142.15
Mt. Zion.....	Jule Pace, Mebane, N. C., R. 3.....	6	...	...	50	35.79
New Hope.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
New Lebanon.....	W. T. Moore, Reidsville, N. C., R. 4.....	10	...	...	160	155.24
Pleasant Grove.....	Miss Nannie B. Farmer, News Ferry, Va.....	11	...	...	95	100.63
Pleasant Ridge.....	Jerry Crutchfield, Kernersville, N. C.....	6	...	...	71	32.33
Reidsville.....	Clyde Fields, Barnes St., Reidsville, N. C.....	22	...	...	406	303.50
Rocky Ford.....	Kenn Marsh, Cana, Va.....	6	...	...	116	40.00
Salem Chapel.....	C. M. Marshall, Walnut Cove, N. C., R. 2.....	8	...	...	103	59.00
Salisbury.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shallow Ford.....	Clair Crouse, Burlington, N. C., R. 4.....	14	...	...	132	105.83
Union (N. C.).....	Claude Walker, Burlington, N. C., R. 3.....	11	6	...	122	131.72
Union (Va.).....	A. R. Seat, Virgilina, Va.....	6	...	...	66	84.20
Winston-Salem.....	J. A. Wester, 429 Brent, Winston-Salem, N. C.....	13	10	...	118	170.00
Totals.....	...	433	161	36	5,438	\$5,174.35

Minutes of the Eighth Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Woman's Missionary Conference.

CONCORD CHRISTIAN CHURCH, JULY 25, 1935.

MORNING SESSION.

The Eighth Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Woman's Missionary Conference met at the above church at 10:00 A. M. In the absence of the President Mrs. B. J. Earp who has moved from the conference, the sessions were presided over by the Vice-President Miss Helen Showalter.

Devotionals were conducted by Mrs. A. F. Kite. Mrs. Kiser Rothgeb sang a beautiful prayer hymn.

Groups from the following churches were recognized: Antioch, Bethel, Bethlehem, Concord, Dry Run, Leaksville, Linville, Mayland, Mt. Olivet (R), and Winchester.

The Pastors present were Revs. Weekley, Smith and Andes.

Mr. G. W. Rothgeb of Luray was present and gave a very interesting address on the work in the Phillipines.

Hymn, "A Charge to Keep I Have". Solo by Master Howard Shifflett of Linville.

Dr. M. L. Weekley preached from the text Matt. 28:18 "All power is given unto me".

Committees were appointed as follows:

Goals—Mrs A. W. Andes, Mrs. Lena Rothgeb and Miss Minnie Dofflemeyer.
Finance—Miss Ora Scott, Miss Verdine Showalter and Miss Alma Boyce.

Resolutions—Miss Amy Louderback, Rev. A. W. Andes, and Miss Ella Pickering.

Nominations— Mrs. R. C. Myers, Mrs. Mary Davis and Mrs. Sallie Taylor.

After a closing hymn Rev. A. W. Andes led in prayer.

The ladies of the church served a bountiful dinner on tables on the lawn.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional service was led by Mrs. K. H. Sale who read Tim. 2:1-15. Miss Joy Grigsby gave the history of the writer of the consecration hymn, "Take My Life". A chain of prayers led by Mrs. K. H. Sale and closed by Mrs. A. W. Andes.

A short time was now given to reports from the departments.

Women's Societies:

Bethel, 28 members; Dry Run, 12 members, Leaksville, 36 members; Linville, 32 members; New Hope, 16 members; Newport, 20 members; Winchester, 25 members.

Young People's Societies:

Antioch, 35 members; Linville, 11 members.

Cradle Roll Societies:

Antioch, 4 members; Leaksville, 11 members; Linville, 20 members.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

July, 1934, Amount in treasury	\$ 1.76
Conference offering	7.00

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES.

Bethel	21.08
Dry Run	16.25
Leaksville	50.31
Linville	76.61
Mt. Olivet (R)	3.00
New Hope	8.50
Newport	14.67
Winchester	73.34
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	263.76

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Antioch	16.77
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JUNIOR SOCIETIES.

Linville	8.89
Mt. Olivet (R)	1.00
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	9.89

CRADLE ROLL SOCIETIES.

Leaksville15
Linville	5.75
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	5.90
Special Gift	20.00
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	\$ 325.08

DISBURSEMENTS.

Burk & Price, bond for two years	\$ 5.00
July 19, 1934, Mrs. I. S. Long	2.00
October 12, 1934, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle	23.36
January 10, 1935, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle	88.90
April 11, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle	61.68
July 11, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle	140.17
July 11, Treasurer for postage60
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	321.71
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July 11, 1935, Balance in treasury	\$ 3.37

VERDIE SHOWALTER, *Treas.*

Report adopted.

REPORT OF SPIRITUAL LIFE SUPERINTENDENT.

We beg to submit the following report: personal interviews, 5; personal letters, 12; literature sent to societies, 86 pieces; cards sent out, 15

We suggest that each society from the conference sign up for literature to be sent each month from the Commission on Missions. We urge the societies to give the officers their full cooperation in whatever plans they may work out. We urge each society to work out a definite program for the year. We have found that plan our work and work our plan is a very helpful motto.

MRS. K. H. SALE, *Supt.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE.

The churches reporting to the Literature Superintendent were Antioch, Bethel, Dry Run, Leaksville, Linville and Newport. Exact figures could not be obtained but there were over 666 articles, and 29 books read. The *Missionary Herald* and *The Christian Sun* are taken by 9 and 14 families respectively.

MINNIE DOFFLEMYER, *Superintendent.*

Mrs. Ivan R. Smith sang: "Have Thine Own Way, Lord."

Rev. Ivan R. Smith gave an address showing some definite results of Foreign Mission work.

An offering amounting to \$6.28 was taken.

A motion prevailed that we send a contribution of \$1.00 to the Commission on Missions for literature which they sent for this session.

Master Edgar Kennedy sang a solo.

Miss Joy Grigsby of Elon College gave a talk on her work of Vacation Summer Service among the churches.

Committees report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GOALS.

1. An average attendance of at least one-half of active members	15%
2. Ten per cent of members at Mid-Year Rally	5%
3. Representation at Annual Missionary Conference	10%
4. Fifteen per cent reading one or more missionary books	10%
5. One hundred missionary articles read	10%
6. An increase in membership	10%
7. Quarterly reports by first of Oct., Jan., April and July	20%
8. Thank offering service held	10%
9. A Cradle Roll in every church	5%
10. Ten per cent reading Missionary Herald	5%
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MRS. A. W. ANDES,
MRS. LENA ROTHGEB,
MISS MINNIE DOFFLEMYER,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, submit the following:

1. That we recognize the great obligation upon the church to preach the gospel in all lands, and we realize that if this work is to be done greater efforts on our part are necessary.

2. To the end that this work may be more swiftly and effectively done, we urge upon the women of our conference to redouble their efforts in organizing and maintaining societies in our churches.

3. That we express our appreciation to the people of Concord for their hospitality shown us on this occasion.

MISS AMY LOUDERBACK,
MISS ELLA PICKERING,
REV. A. W. ANDES,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We recommend the following apportionments for next year:

Women's Societies—Bethel, \$20; Bethlehem, \$30; Leaksville, \$60; Linville, \$75; Dry Run, \$15; New Hope, \$20; Whistler's Chapel, \$10; Winchester, \$85; Wood's Chapel, \$10.

Young People's Societies—Antioch, \$65; Linville, \$5; Mayland, \$10; Newport, \$15; Timber Ridge, \$40.

Cradle Roll Societies—Antioch, \$4; Leaksville, \$5; Linville, \$6; Winchester, \$2.50.

MISS ORA SCOTT,
MISS VERDIE SHOWALTER,
MISS ALMA BOYCE,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, nominate the following:

President—Mrs. K. H. Sale.

Vice President—Mrs. A. W. Andes.

Secretary—Mrs. B. F. Frank.

Treasurer—Miss Verdie Showalter.

Cradle Roll Superintendent—Mrs. E. Lena Rothgeb.

Women's Superintendent—Miss Ora Scott.

Young People's Superintendent—Miss Helen Showalter.

Literature Superintendent—Miss Minnie Dofflemeyer.

Spiritual Life Superintendent—Mrs. A. F. Kite.

MRS. R. C. MYERS,
MRS. MARY DAVIS,
MRS. SALLIE TAYLOR.
Committee.

Report adopted.

Moved and carried that we continue the District Rallies.

Time and place of meeting next year was left in the hands of the Board.

Closing hymn. Prayer by Mr. G. W. Rothgeb.

HELEN SHOWALTER, *V.-Pres.*,
MRS. B. F. FRANK, *Secretary*.

Minutes of the Twenty-Third Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference.

CHRISTIAN TEMPLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH, NORFOLK, VA.

OCTOBER 4, 1935.

THEME: "*Go Preach the Gospel.*"

MORNING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order at 10:00 A. M. by the Second Vice President, Mrs. John G. Truitt, due to illness of the president, Mrs. J. E. Cartwright, and also of the vice president, Mrs. R. T. Bradford.

Song service led by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Worship period conducted by Mrs. Ayler J. Holland.

Reports of District Superintendents were given as follows:

Norfolk—Mrs. J. F. Morgan, Supt.: Societies, 27; members, 541; offering, \$1,342.80.

Nansemond—Franklin—Gates—Mrs. B. D. Jones, Supt.: Societies, 45; members, 1,009; offering, \$2,932.49.

Waverly—Mrs. E. T. Atkinson, Supt.: Societies, 14; members, 161; offering, \$289.45.

Reports of Departmental Superintendents were given as follows:

Young People—Mrs. Garland Spratley, Supt.: Societies, 24; members, 499; offering, \$984.15.

Juniors—Societies, 18; members, 337; offering, \$381.65.

Cradle Roll—Mrs. J. M. Nelson, Supt.: Societies, 16; members, 408; offering, \$89.22.

Report of Convention Editor, Mrs. W. M. Jay, was given as follows:

Seventeen Women's Societies sent in news items. Fifteen Young People's Societies sent in news items.

Report on Life and Memorial Memberships was given as follows:

Life and Memorial Memberships—Mrs. J. A. Williams, Supt:

From Christian Temple—Mrs. M. J. W. White, Life Membership; Mrs. James A. Eley, Mrs. Jessie E. Harrell, Memorials.

From Holy Neck—Mrs. J. T. Rawls, Memorial.

From Suffolk—Mrs. Bessie Roberts Underwood, Mrs. Hersey Barnes, Mrs. Mamie Rountree, Memorials.

From Liberty Spring—Mrs. Rosa Rountree, Memorial.

The Report on Spiritual Life was given by Mrs. O. M. Cockes, Supt., as follows:

"Bible Reading On Holy Spirit" was suggested for devotional study.

Four points were stressed: Tithers, Bible Study, Family Altars, Prayer Bands.

All reports adopted as read.

Greetings from Mrs. J. E. Cartwright were read.

Mr. H. S. Hardcastle reported on her condition and prayer was led by him for her recovery.

Due to illness of Mrs. W. M. Jay, Superintendent of Literature, Mrs. D. E. Brown of New York City presented the literature for the year. All literature may be ordered from 14 Beacon St., Boston, Mass., or 287 Fourth Ave., New York City.

Second Vice President, Mrs. John G. Truitt, gave an address using as her topic "Every Woman A Witness."

HONOR ROLLS.

Honor Roll of Churches—Bethlehem, Christian Temple, Cypress Chapel, First Norfolk, First Portsmouth, Franklin, Holy Neck, Liberty Spring, Mt. Carmel, Rosemont, Suffolk, Windsor.

Honor Roll of Societies—Women—Berea (Nansemond), Christian Temple, Cypress Chapel, Franklin, Holy Neck, Holland, Elm Avenue.

Honor Roll—Young People—Cypress Chapel, Franklin, Holy Neck, Liberty Spring, Mt. Carmel, Rosemont, Dendron.

Honor Roll—Juniors—Cypress Chapel, Franklin, Holy Neck, Rosemont, Mt. Carmel.

Recommendations for 1935-36 were read by the Secretary as follows:

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That the goal for the year be \$5,500.00.
2. That we continue to meet on the first Friday in October, and the Young People on Friday preceding the Woman's Conference.
3. That all bills and reports be in the hands of the Conference Treasurer by September 30th, in order that her books may be audited, and her complete report made at this Conference.
4. That the Thank Offering be put in the general fund.
5. That the offering at the District Meetings be used to pay the expenses of one or more delegates to some Summer School of Missions, person or persons to be decided upon by Executive Committee of the Board, and that Conference pay the expenses of our President to some Summer School of Missions.
6. That an increasing number of our Young People attend the local training institutes and the Elon Summer Training School.
7. That the suggested programs prepared by the Southern Convention Committee be used, together with information on the program material furnished by the Literature Superintendent, Mrs. E. L. Beale.
8. That all letters sent by the members of Board asking for information on social societies be promptly answered.
9. That District Superintendents have call meeting of Presidents of local societies as soon as possible after conference to discuss work of their district and offer suggestions to be submitted by the District Superintendent at Board Meetings.

The following Standards of Excellence were set up.

STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE FOR WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

1. Eleven monthly meetings held during the year with one-half the membership present at each meeting.
2. Each society sending to the Convention Editor, Mrs. W. M. Jay, Suffolk, Va., one news item concerning its work.

3. Subscribers to THE CHRISTIAN SUN, or some missionary periodical, equal one-half the membership. A canvass for these to be made during the first quarter.

4. World Day of Prayer observed.

5. Representatives to the District and Conference meetings.

6. One public service held during the year under the direction of the Department of Spiritual Life.

7. Reports sent quarterly to the Conference Treasurer.

8. Conference apportionment paid in full.

9. A membership campaign held during the first quarter with an increase.

10. At least one home and one foreign study book be used during the year.

STANDARDS OF EXCELLENCE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE'S AND JUNIOR SOCIETIES.

1. Eleven monthly meetings held with one-half membership present at each meeting.

2. A membership campaign be held during the first quarter with an increase.

3. Each society sending to the Convention Editor, Mrs. W. M. Jay, Suffolk, Va., one news item concerning its work.

4. One missionary pageant, or public program given during the year.

5. Superintendent, or someone to represent them, attending the District and Conference meetings.

6. Conference apportionment paid in full.

7. Reports sent quarterly to Conference Treasurer.

8. A definite program of mission study including studying, or reading, at least one home and one foreign book.

Rev. Carl R. Key, pastor of the Holland Church was introduced to the Conference at this time.

The following Standing Committees were appointed:

Nominations—Mesdames H. S. Hardcastle, J. F. Morgan, E. L. Beale, A. L. Jolly and Miss Lilly Holland.

Place of Meeting—Mesdames W. V. Leathers, J. E. Corbitt and C. E. Gerringer.

Resolutions—Mesdames I. Luke, M. J. W. White, R. A. Rhodes.

Offering was taken.

Vocal Solo by Mr. Mordaunt Etheridge, accompanied by Mrs. Ferrer.

Address: "O. H. M. S." "On His Majesty Service," by Miss Ruth Hillhouse, Greenville, N. C.

Adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 2:00 o'clock.

Song service led by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Mrs. R. T. Bradford moved that a gift of \$100.00 from this Conference be sent Mrs. J. E. Cartwright as a token of love. Mrs. J. E. Cartwright fell and broke her hip while attending Eagle's Mere Missionary Conference in July.

Same was carried by a rising vote, which was unanimous.

Dr. J. O. Atkinson being ill, his message was delivered by Rev. A. L. Granger, of Elon College. Theme: "Born for a Purpose."

Copies of "Windows" were distributed to audience and prayer cards to be signed for mission work.

Vocal Solo by Miss Dorothy Long, accompanied by Miss Virginia Huffney.

Address by Mrs. D. E. Brown, New York City: "Literature Needed Most."

Rev. H. S. Hardcastle presented "Peace Plebiscite."

Vote to be taken by local church during Armistice Week.

The Committee on Nominations reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, submit the following nominations for Woman's Board of the Eastern Virginia Conference for 1935-36:

President—Mrs. J. Monroe Harris.

First Vice President—Mrs. R. T. Bradford.

Second Vice President—Mrs. John G. Truitt.

Secretary—Mrs. Herbert Harrell.

Treasurer—Mrs. J. M. Rabey

Superintendent Life Memberships and Memorials—Mrs. J. C. Ellis.

Superintendent Spiritual Life—Mrs. B. G. Harrell.

Superintendent Young People—Mrs. Garland Spratley.

Superintendent Literature—Mrs. E. L. Beale.

Superintendent Cradle Roll—Mrs. F. M. Nelson.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. H. S. HARDCASTLE,

MRS. J. F. MORGAN,

MRS. E. L. BEALE,

MRS. A. L. JOLLY,

MISS LILLY HOLLAND,

Committee.

Report of Committee on Place of Meeting given as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE OF MEETING.

Suffolk Christian Church invites the Conference for 1936.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. V. LEATHERS,

MRS. J. E. CORBITT,

MRS. C. E. GERRINGER,

Committee.

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was made as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

1. We wish to express our appreciation of the greetings from our president and wish to extend to her our sympathy and best wishes for her speedy recovery.

2. That the gratitude of the Conference be extended to its officers and chairmen of departments who have served so efficiently during the last year.

3. That thanks be extended to Mrs. John G. Truitt for her challenge to the women in her wonderful address.

4. That we regret the absence of Mrs. Grace Farmer, whose place was ably filled by Miss Ruth Hillhouse of Greenville, N. C., for her address was truly inspirational. We feel as if not any meeting is complete without the presence of our beloved Dr. Atkinson, whose inspiring address was read by Rev. A. Lanson

Granger. Also, we thank Mrs. D. C. Brown for her informal and forceful address. Thanks to those who rendered special music.

5. To the entertaining church for their gracious hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. A. RHODES,

MRS. J. D. LUKE,

MRS. M. J. W. WHITE,

Committee.

All committees' reports adopted as read.

It was moved and carried that greetings be sent Rev. F. C. Lester in Suffolk Hospital and Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Memoirs conducted by Mrs. John King and lovely tribute was paid to our following loved ones.

MRS. JAMES A. ELEY, Christian Temple.

MRS. JESSIE E. HARRELL, Christian Temple.

MRS. J. T. RAWLS, Holy Neck.

MRS. BESSIE ROBERTS UNDERWOOD, Suffolk.

MRS. HERSEY BARNES, Suffolk.

MRS. ROSA ROUNTREE, Liberty Spring.

MRS. MAMIE ROUNTREE, Suffolk.

Adjourned to meet with Suffolk Christian Church October, 1936.

Minutes read and approved.

Benediction by Dr. N. G. Newman.

MRS. J. G. TRUITT, *Vice President*,

MRS. HERBERT HARRELL, *Secretary*.

Minutes of the Twenty-Third Annual Session of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Conference.

THE CHURCH OF WIDE FELLOWSHIP, OCTOBER 17, 1935.

MORNING SESSION.

The Twenty-Third Annual Session of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Conference met on Thursday, October 17, 1935, with The Church of Wide Fellowship, Southern Pines, N. C.

The Conference was called to order by the President, Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell.

A most fitting and appropriate devotional service, in keeping with the general theme of the program, "World Missions and World Peace," was conducted by Mrs. W. H. Elder, followed by prayer by Dr. C. Rexford Raymond.

Interesting and encouraging reports were given by the District Superintendents as follows:

Alamance—Mrs. C. C. Fonville; Halifax—Mrs. C. E. Newman; Guilford—Mrs. O. H. Paris; Lee-Chatham—Mrs. R. L. Ross; Randolph—Mrs. Hugh York; Durham-Wake—Mrs. J. L. Harward; Vance-Warren—Miss Margaret Alston.

Words of welcome and greeting were given by Mrs. Owen, President of the Southern Pines Society, and words of appreciation on behalf of the Conference were given by Mrs. O. H. Paris.

The Conference was delighted to have present and recognize at this time sixteen of our ministers.

The President appointed the following Committees:

Committee on Place—Mrs. W. B. Truitt, Mrs. R. J. Kernodle, Mrs. Doyle McFarland.

Resolutions—Mrs. J. J. Henderson, Mrs. M. J. Sweet, Mrs. J. P. Barrett.

Finance—Mrs. E. M. Carter, Mrs. C. H. Stephenson.

Nominating—Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, Miss Alice May Holmes.

Departmental Reports were as follows:

Cradle Roll—Mrs. B. M. Newman.

Young People—Miss Mary Fix.

Spiritual Life—Mrs. W. R. Sellars.

Literature—Mrs. W. T. Scott.

Day of Mission Study—Mrs. L. E. Smith.

Life Memberships and Memorials—Miss Margaret Alston.

Council for Social Action—Miss Alice M. Holmes.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary be instructed to send a message of greeting and sympathy to Mrs. W. H. Carroll, who is ill at her home in Burlington.

The report of Mrs. C. H. Stephenson, Treasurer, was submitted, and, on motion, was adopted:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES.

Biscoe	\$ 21.60	Mt. Zion	15.00
Burlington	1,002.85	New Lebanon	20.50
Catawba Springs	25.10	Palm St., Greensboro	30.00
Chapel Hill	6.25	Park's Cross Roads	23.25
Danville, Va.	57.50	Piney Plains	31.30
Durham	238.10	Pleasant Hill	19.50
Elon College	250.00	Pleasant Ridge (Guilford) .	30.00
Flint Hill	6.60	Pleasant Ridge (Randolph).	8.39
Fuller's Chapel	3.25	Pleasant Union	7.50
Grace's Chapel	10.50	Providence Memorial	20.00
Graham	16.50	Raleigh	75.00
Greensboro	317.00	Ramseur	46.44
Hank's Chapel	17.60	Randleman	5.00
Haw River	25.00	Rocky Ford	3.70
Hebron, Va.	25.00	Reidsville	130.00
Henderson	75.00	Sanford	75.00
Hine's Chapel	21.00	Shallow Well	54.00
Howard's Chapel	20.00	Turner's Chapel	50.00
Ingram, Va.	30.04	Union Ridge, N. C.	50.00
Lebanon	8.70	Union, Va.	75.00
Liberty, Va.	2.50	Wake Chapel	50.00
Liberty (Vance)	115.00	Wentworth	5.00
Lynchburg, Va.	40.00	Winston-Salem	15.00
Monticello	18.00	Youngsville	10.00
Mt. Auburn	5.00		
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			\$3,207.67

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Bethlehem	13.55	Ramseur	4.00
Burlington	18.73	Reidsville	10.00
Durham	70.06	Sanford	12.00
Elon College	25.00	Shallow Well	3.25
Greensboro	40.00		<hr/>
Hine's Chapel	6.80		\$ 203.39

WILLING WORKERS' SOCIETIES.

Burlington	25.00
Durham	40.57
Greensboro	35.00
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	\$ 100.57

WILLING WORKERS—JUNIORS.

Durham	25.03
Elon College	20.00
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	\$ 45.03

CRADLE ROLL SOCIETIES.

Burlington	25.00	Raleigh	10.00
Durham	27.00	Ramseur	5.00
Elon College	15.00	Turner's Chapel	5.00
Greensboro	10.00	Wake Chapel	5.00
Park's Cross Roads	3.00		<hr/>
			\$ 105.00

RALLY OFFERING.

Alamance District	7.07	Halifax District	6.60
Chatham-Lee-More District.	2.41	Randolph District	1.60
Durham-Wake District	7.38	Vance-Warren District	5.15
Guilford District	5.50		
			\$ 35.71

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid to Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treas., Woman's Board of the Southern Christian Convention	\$2,017.11
Paid to A. D. Pate & Co., for Year Book, Postage and Stationery	17.43
Paid to Dr. J. O. Atkinson for funds received from District Rallies ..	35.71
	\$2,070.25

SUMMARY.

Women's Societies	\$3,207.67
Young People's Societies	203.39
Willing Workers	100.57
Willing Workers—Juniors	45.03
Cradle Roll	105.00
Rally Offerings	35.71
Total Receipts	\$3,697.37
Total Disbursements	2,070.25

Balance in Bank October 7, 1935\$1,627.12

MRS. C. H. STEPHENSON, *Treasurer.*

THE WOMEN'S MISSION BOARD OF THE
NORTH CAROLINA CONGREGATIONAL-CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE,
Mesdames:

We have examined the records showing the Receipts and Disbursements of your Treasurer, Mrs. C. H. Stephenson of Raleigh, North Carolina, from the period from November 1, 1934 to October 7, 1935, inclusive.

In Exhibit "A" attached hereto we show the details by Societies of the cash received by your Treasurer during this period. We also show Cash Disbursements made by her and the balance on hand in bank on October 7, 1935, amounting to \$1,627.12.

We reconciled the cash received as shown by the Treasurer's records with the deposit credited by the bank, but we did not verify by correspondence with the individual societies the amounts they had contributed.

All Cash Disbursements were supported by checks issued in the regular course of business and the balance on hand on October 7, 1935, was found on deposit with the Wachovia Bank and Trust Company of Raleigh, North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,

A. T. ALLEN & Co., *Certified Public Accountants.*

Raleigh, N. C.,
October 16, 1935.

Mrs. L. E. Smith spoke interestingly and gave much needed information and suggestions on "Our Apportionments."

Dr. Atkinson brought to us an inspiring message, "Speaking the Wonderful Words of God."

An offering of \$22.20 was received.

Adjournment for lunch, with prayer by Dr. J. H. Lightbourne.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met at 2:00 P. M. and was called to order by the President.

A most appropriate devotional service prepared by Mrs. Showalter and read by Miss Susie Allen, was given on the theme of the afternoon, "The Mission of the Prince of Peace." Special music, a violin solo, was rendered by Miss Ruth Raymond of the local church.

The chief feature of the afternoon session was the address of Dean Elbert Russell of Duke University. He told of the cost and horror of war and the "Mission of the Prince of Peace."

The Committee on Place reported invitations from Liberty-Vance and Durham and, on motion, the invitation of Durham was accepted.

The Committee on Resolutions gave their report as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, the members of the twenty-third annual session of the North Carolina Women's Missionary Conference, consider it a happy privilege to have met with the Church of Wide Fellowship of Southern Pines to-day. The Program Committee gave us a splendid theme: "World Missions and Peace." The Devotional services, "The Prince of Peace" and the mission of the "Prince of Peace." put our hearts and our minds in accord with our theme.

Inspiration, deep interest and information has been given by the speakers, with their messages, especially, our guest speaker, Dean Elbert Russell of the School of Religion of Duke University. We are glad to have our dear Dr. Atkinson with us again. We wish to record our deep appreciation to the membership of this church, its pastor, Dr. Rexford Raymond and the ladies who in His Name have worked together to make this meeting possible. We thank the ones who have brought us beautiful messages with music and flowers.

We record our love and thanks to our gracious president, Mrs. Stanley Harrell, for her efficiency in the office she has so capably filled. We thank the other conference officers, District Leaders, and departmental chairman for their presence and splendid reports. We thank the Ministers for their interest and attendance at our meeting.

We offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, that we request the Executive Board of the Southern Christian Convention to consider the advisability of placing in the field a Field-worker whose duties it shall be to promote various phases of Convention work which would include Mission promotion among our women.

To God we offer our thanks for the glory of this day and for the Spirit of Fellowship and Good Will that has pervaded the meeting, for the love that unites our hearts, and for the courage with which we face the future.

Let us remember:

"The joy of life is living it and doing things of worth
In making bright and fruitful all the barren spots of earth.
For only He knows perfect joy whose little bit of soil
Is richer ground than it was when he began to toil."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. J. HENDERSON,
MRS. M. J. SWEET,
MRS. J. P. BARRETT,

Committee.

The Committee on Nominations reported as follows:

President—Mrs. S. C. Harrell.

Vice Presidents—Miss Margaret Alston, Miss Alice M. Holmes.

Treasurer—Mrs. C. H. Stephenson.

Secretary—Mrs. W. P. Lawrence.

Superintendent of Spiritual Life—Mrs. W. R. Sellars.

Superintendent of Literature—Mrs. W. T. Scott.

Superintendent of Young People's Work—Miss Mary Fix.

Superintendent of Cradle Roll—Mrs. B. M. Newman.

Life Memberships and Memorials—Miss Margaret Alston.

The Finance Committee recommended that the minimum goal for 1936 be \$4,000.00, and that each Society endeavor to raise the apportionment set by the Executive Committee.

On motion, these reports were adopted.

A fitting memorial service in memory of those of our ranks who have passed on to their reward since our last Conference was conducted by Miss Margaret Alston.

Conference adjourned to meet next year on Thursday before the third Sunday in October with the Durham Church.

MRS. S. C. HARRELL, *President*,

MRS. W. P. LAWRENCE, *Secretary*.

Minutes of the Forty-Fourth Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Missionary Association.

ROSEMONT CHRISTIAN CHURCH, DECEMBER 3, 1935.

MORNING SESSION.

Called to order at 10:30 A. M. by Rev. R. L. House, President.

Song Service led by Rev. J. F. Morgan. "O Worship the King,"
and "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing."

Devotional Services conducted by Dr. I. W. Johnson.

Enrollment of delegates and collection of dues as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCIAL SECRETARY.

Berea-Norfolk—Sunday School, \$10.00; Men's Bible Class, \$10.00; M. W. Hollowell, \$10.00. Total, \$30.00

Bethlehem—Ladies' Aid, \$10.00. Total \$10.00.

Christian Temple—Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, \$10.00; Church, \$10.00; Church Mission Treasury, \$10.00; Sunday School, \$10.00; Sunday School Mission Treasury, \$10.00; Woman's Council, \$20.00; Templemen's Class, \$10.00; Twiddy Bible Class, \$10.00; Friendship Bible Class, \$10.00; Dorcas Class, \$10.00; F. M. Brewer, \$10.00; T. E. Brickhouse, \$10.00; Mrs. L. W. Stagg, \$5.00; Mrs. J. A. Eley, \$5.00; Mrs. T. E. Brickhouse, \$5.00; Mrs. R. B. Wood, (Memorial to Mrs. Hattie Savage) \$5.00: Total, \$150.00.

First Church, Portsmouth—Church, \$10.00; Woman's Missionary Society, \$10.00. Total, \$20.00.

Holland—Church, \$10.00; Sunday School, \$10.00; Mrs. R. H. Reidel, \$5.00. Total, \$25.00.

Holy Neck—Church, \$10.00; Sunday School, \$10.00; Baraca Class, \$10.00; R. C. Norfleet, \$10.00; Rev. N. G. Newman, \$10.00. Total, \$50.00.

Liberty Springs—Rev. I. W. Johnson, \$10.00; Church, \$10.00; Sunday School, \$10.00; A. H. Savage Class, \$10.00; R. E. Rogers Class, \$10.00; Bertie Johnson Class, \$10.00; I. T. Byrd, \$10.00; Joel E. Harrell, \$10.00; Mrs. Joel E. Harrell, \$5.00; Mrs. I. W. Johnson, \$5.00; Mrs. F. F. Brinkley, \$5.00. Total, \$95.00.

Newport News—Church, \$10.00; Sunday School, \$10.00; Ladies' Aid, \$10.00; Ladies' Missionary Society, \$10.00; Choir, \$10.00; Men's Bible Class, \$10.00; Ladies' Bible Class, \$10.00; R. L. Baker, \$10.00; J. T. Irby, \$10.00; C. D. West, \$10.00; Mrs. W. B. Baker, \$5.00; Mrs. F. W. Vaughan, \$5.00; Mrs. R. L. Baker, \$5.00; Mrs. J. T. Irby, \$5.00; Mrs. W. H. Baker, \$5.00; Miss June Joy Hyatte, \$5.00; Mrs. R. E. Pulley, \$5.00; Rev. R. L. House, \$10.00. Total, \$145.00.

Oakland—Sunday School, \$10.00. Total, \$10.00.

Ocean View—Rev. Joe French, \$10.00. Total, \$10.00.

Rosemont—Rev. J. F. Morgan, \$5.00; Church, \$10.00; Men's Missionary Society, \$10.00; Mrs. O. F. Smith, \$10.00; Mrs. B. F. Gibson, \$5.00. Total, \$35.00.

Suffolk—Rev. John G. Truitt, \$10.00; Church, \$10.00; Sunday School, \$20.00; Ladies' Benevolent and Social Union, \$20.00; Philathea Class, \$20.00; W. W. Staley Society, \$10.00; Baraca Class, \$10.00; Jr. Philathea, \$10.00; Woman's Missionary Society, \$10.00; Miss Ella Beale's Class, \$5.00; O. S. Smith, Sr., \$10.00; J. E. Vincent, \$10.00; J. E. West, \$10.00; J. E. Rawls, \$10.00; E. E. Holland, \$10.00; D. L. Harrell, \$10.00; W. S. Beamon, \$10.00; H. H. Holland, \$10.00; Wm. Staley Cheatham, \$10.00; Mrs. C. A. Shoop, \$10.00; Mrs. M. C. Riddick, \$10.00; Mrs. J. D. McClenny, \$5.00; Mrs. Bessie Creekmore, \$5.00; Mrs. C. B. Duke, \$5.00; Mrs. John King, \$500; Mrs. G. W. Nurney, \$5.00; Mrs. J. M. Darden, \$5.00; Mrs. Annie Staley Calhoun, \$5.00; Miss Janie Felton, \$5.00; Mrs. J. D. Luke, \$5.00; Mrs. W. V. Leathers, \$5.00; Mrs. A. T. Holland, \$5.00; A Gift, \$5.00. Total, \$295.00.

Waverly—Sunday School, \$10.00; Mrs. Ellis Gray, \$5.00. Total, \$15.00.

Rev. H. E. Rountree, \$10.00.

Total, \$900.00.

JOE FRENCH, *Financial Secretary*.

Appointment of special committees:

Press—Revs. J. F. Morgan and Dr. I. W. Johnson.

Place—C. D. West, Dr. John G. Truitt.

Nominations—Rev. O. D. Poythress, Mrs. I. W. Johnson, Dr. N. G. Newman.

Plans—Col. J. E. West, Mrs. J. E. Harrell, Mrs. L. W. Vaughan, Rev. H. S. Hardcastle.

Special Music—Minister's Chorus.

President's Address: "The Christian Missionary Association," Rev. R. L. House.

Adjournment for lunch.

Benediction by Rev. R. L. House.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by Rev. R. L. House, President.

Song Service led by Rev. J. F. Morgan: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Prayer by Rev. T. Fred Wright.

Hymn: "Amazing Grace."

Sermon, Dr. J. G. Truitt, "Jesus Before and After."

Special Music—Duet—Revs. J. F. Morgan and O. D. Poythress, "Rock of Ages."

Report of Committee on Plans adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLANS.

We recommend appropriations as follows:

One hundred dollars to Hopewell on pastor's salary; one hundred dollars to Elm Avenue for interest on parsonage debt; three hundred dollars to Newport News on mortgage debt; one hundred and twenty-five dollars to Ocean View of which one hundred is on mortgage debt and twenty-five dollars for repairs on church building; three hundred and twenty-five dollars to South Norfolk Church on mortgage and bank indebtedness, provided the total funds in the treasury permit this amount after setting aside twenty dollars to pay expense bills and

paying the other appropriations mentioned above; and if not three hundred and twenty-five dollars, as large amount thereof as possible.

J. E. WEST,
MRS. JOE E. HARRELL,
MRS. L. W. VAUGHAN,
H. S. HARDCASTLE,
Committee.

Report of Finance Committee was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Berea	\$ 30.00
Christian Temple	150.00
First Portsmouth	30.00
First Norfolk	
Franklin	
Holland	25.00
Holy Neck	50.00
Newport News	145.00
Liberty Spring	95.00
Oakland	10.00
Ocean View	10.00
Rosemont	35.00
Suffolk	295.00
Waverly	15.00
Bethlehem	10.00
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	\$ 900.00

JOE FRENCH,
R. A. WHITTEN,
O. D. POYTHRESS,
Committee.

Report of Treasurer adopted as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER, 1934-1935.

1934.		RECEIPTS.	
Dec.	1.	Balance in Bank	\$ 38.31
	5.	Deposited	890.00
	19.	Deposited for Mrs. George Nurney	5.00
1935.			
Jan.	7.	Deposited for Mrs. J. M. Darden	5.00
	28.	Deposited for Mrs. H. E. Rountree	10.00
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			948.31
1934.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Dec.	21.	Paid Rev. Joe French	\$ 100.00
	21.	Paid Rev. J. E. McCauley	100.00
	21.	Paid C. D. West, Newport News	150.00
	21.	Paid Rev. O. D. Poythress, South Norfolk	370.00
		(\$300 for pastor's salary and \$70 for church.)	
	21.	Paid Rev. T. N. Lowe, Hopewell	100.00
	21.	Paid Rev. S. W. Phillips, Elm Ave.	100.00
		Tax on checks12
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			920.12
Nov.	25.	Balance in bank	28.19
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			\$ 948.31

B. D. JONES, *Treasurer* C. M. A.

Moved and carried that hereafter the report of the Treasurer be made at the morning session.

Moved and carried that the bills of \$3.75 for postage, stationery and mimeographing to Rev. Joe French, be paid and \$15.00 be appropriated for the printing of the minutes in the ANNUAL.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE.

Your Committee on Place recommends that the Association accept an invitation to meet with Liberty Spring Church next year.

Report adopted.

Report of Committee on Nominations adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

President—Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Vice President—Rev. R. A. Whitten.

Recording Secretary—Rev. R. E. Brittle.

Financial Secretary—Rev. Joe French.

Treasurer—Mr. B. D. Jones.

Greetings brought from Mr. B. D. Jones, Treasurer, by Rev. John G. Truitt.

Moved and carried that we express by rising vote our appreciation to pastor and people for fine hospitality.

Mr. Potts, representative of the *Virginian-Pilot*, introduced to the Association..

Moved and carried that the Secretary send greetings and best wishes to Mr. B. D. Jones.

Appointment of Standing Committees by President-Elect as follows:

Plans—J. E. West, Mrs. J. E. Harrell, Mrs. J. W. Vaughan, Rev. H. S. Hardcastle.

Executive—Revs. J. F. Morgan, R. E. Brittle, Joe French.

Moved and carried that we adjourn, closing devotionals conducted by Rev. Carl R. Key.

Closing Hymn, "Have Thine Own Way."

Closing Prayer by Dr. N. G. Newman.

R. L. HOUSE, *President*,

R. E. BRITTLE, *Secretary*.

Minutes of the Christian Missionary Association of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, REIDSVILLE, N. C.
DECEMBER 3, 1935.

MORNING SESSION.

The Third Annual Session of the C. M. A. of the N. C. & Va. Conference met with the First Christian Church, Reidsville, Tuesday, December 3, 1935. The meeting was called to order by the President, Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, at 10:40 A. M.

Devotional services, Rev. J. L. Neese, pastor of entertaining church.

The following answered to roll call:

B. J. Earp; Mrs. B. J. Earp; Bethlehem Church Ladies' Aid, by Mrs. Carl Gilliam; Mrs. D. E. Mitchell; Mrs. C. H. Rowland; Rev. J. L. Neese; Woman's Auxiliary, Reidsville, by Mrs. E. H. Abel; Dr. S. C. Harrell; Miss Mary Ann Harrell, by Dr. Harrell; W. T. Scott; Mrs. W. T. Scott, by Mr. Scott; G. C. Crutchfield; Dr. C. H. Rowland; W. E. Wisseman; Philathea Class, Durham, by Dr. Harrell; Baraca Class, by Dr. Harrell; Bethlehem Church, by George Somers; Berea Church, by Mrs. E. W. Pritchette; Men's Bible Class, Reidsville, by J. L. Neese.

The following visitors were recognized: Miss Ida Simpson and Miss Mabel Somers, of Bethlehem Church; Miss Frona Taylor, Berea Church; Rev. F. C. Lester, Norfolk, Va.

The program committee presented the printed program as the program for the session, and by vote it was adopted, with the provision that such changes would be made as were necessary.

Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Treasurer, reported as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1934.

RECEIPTS.

Dec. 10.	B. J. Earp, Financial Secretary	\$ 5.00
Dec. 19.	Home Mission Board of Conference	300.00
1935.		
Jan. 6.	B. J. Earp	5.00
Jan. 25.	B. J. Earp	10.00
Mar. 5.	B. J. Earp	10.00
Apr. 30.	B. J. Earp	10.00
May 23.	B. J. Earp	5.00
May 28.	B. J. Earp	5.00
June 12.	B. J. Earp	10.00
June 15.	B. J. Earp	5.00
June 22.	B. J. Earp	16.75
Aug. 30.	By loan from Mrs. Rowland	50.00
Oct. 16.	B. J. Earp	10.00
Oct. 23.	B. J. Earp	20.00
Nov. 18.	B. J. Earp	32.50

\$ 494.25

1934.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Dec. 10.	Treasurer's Book .....	\$	.16
Dec. 19.	Amos Jones (note and interest)		156.00
Dec. 18.	W. T. Scott on salary		100.00
Dec. 19.	W. T. Scott on back salary		22.48
1935.			
Jan. 11.	W. T. Scott on salary		25.00
Mar. 5.	W. T. Scott on salary		25.00
Mar. 16.	Central Publishing Co. (minutes)		6.00
June 12.	W. T. Scott on salary		25.00
June 28.	W. T. Scott on salary		22.00
Aug. 30.	W. T. Scott on salary		50.00
Oct. 22.	W. T. Scott on salary		10.00
Oct. 23.	W. T. Scott on salary		20.00
Nov. 30.	Balance		9.61
			<hr/> \$ 494.25

MRS. C. H. ROWLAND, *Treasurer.*

Note: Due to Mrs. C. H. Rowland on loan, \$50.00.

This is to certify that I have audited the books of Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Treasurer of the Christian Missionary Association of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference and have found them to be correct as per statement shown.

D. C. McLENNAN, *Auditor.*

On motion report was received and referred to Finance Committee.

Rev. B. J. Earp, Financial Secretary, reported as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCIAL SECRETARY.

We began our duties December 5, 1934, with a note of \$150.00 against the C. M. A. Today we have a note of \$50.00 due Mrs. C. H. Rowland, \$9.61 in the treasury, and \$20.00 in the hands of the Financial Secretary to be turned over to the treasurer, which will leave an actual indebtedness of about \$21.00. In addition, there is a pledge of \$100.00 to Palm Street, Greensboro, parsonage fund, unpaid.

I have received money for the year as follows:

Mrs. J. H. Massey, \$5.00; N. C. & Va. Conference, \$300.00; Mrs. A. D. Gerringer, \$5.00; Miss Florence Smith, \$5.00; Ladies' Aid of Bethlehem Church, \$5.00; J. U. Newman, \$5.00; L. E. Smith, \$5.00; Mt. Zion Church, \$5.00; Mt. Zion S. S., \$5.00; Mrs. D. E. Mitchell, \$5.00; Mrs. G. C. Moore, \$5.00; Palm St. C. E., \$5.00; Mrs. C. H. Rowland, \$5.00; Ladies' Aid, Greensboro, First, \$5.00; Percy Ricketts, \$5.00; S. S. & C. E. Convention, \$11.75; J. L. Neese, \$5.00; Men's Bible Class, Reidsville, \$5.00; Mrs. D. E. Mitchell, \$5.00; Miss Vera Gerringer, \$5.00; A. D. Gerringer, \$5.00; Holt Gerringer, \$5.00; H. V. Simpson, \$5.00; J. O. Atkinson, \$5.00; S. C. Harrell, \$5.00; Miss Mary Ann Harrell, \$2.50; Mrs. J. H. Massey, \$5.00; Mrs. Cora Anthony, \$5.00; Ladies' Aid, Apple's Chapel, \$5.00; Mrs. A. D. Gerringer, \$5.00; L. C. Huffines, \$5.00; Concord Church, \$5.00; Haw River S. S., \$5.00. Total, \$464.25.

The following persons and organizations paid dues at the meeting December 3, 1935: W. T. Scott, \$5.00; G. C. Crutchfield, \$5.00; Mrs. W. T. Scott, \$5.00; C. H. Crouse, \$5.00; C. H. Rowland, \$5.00; Bethlehem Ladies' Aid, \$5.00; Beginners' Department, Reidsville, \$2.50; Berea Church, \$5.00; Bethlehem Church, \$5.00; W. E. Wisseman, \$5.00; Durham Baraca (S. C. H.), \$5.00; Durham Philathea (S. C. H.), \$5.00; C. E. Newman, \$5.00.

Respectfully submitted,

B. J. EARP,

Financial Secretary.

On motion report was received and referred to Finance Committee.

Rev. William T. Scott, pastor of the United Church, Winston-Salem, reported on the work done at that point during the past year.

The President appointed Special Committees as follows:

Nominations—Dr. C. H. Rowland, Miss Ida Simpson, Mrs. B. J. Earp.

Place of Meeting—Mrs. Carl Gilliam, Miss Mabel Somers, Mrs. D. E. Mitchell.

Press—Rev. W. E. Wisseman, Rev. B. J. Earp, Rev. J. L. Neese.

Resolutions—Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Mrs. E. W. Pritchette, Mrs. J. R. Foster.

By the request of the chairman of the Finance Committee, Rev. W. E. Wisseman was made chairman of that committee.

Dr. Stanley C. Harrell addressed the meeting on the subject, "The Home Mission Program of the Southern Convention."

Rev. F. C. Lester addressed the meeting briefly, bringing greetings from the Eastern Virginia Conference.

Adjournment for lunch. Benediction by Dr. C. H. Rowland.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The session was called to order at 2 P. M.

Devotionals conducted by Dr. C. H. Rowland.

The following visitors were recognized: Mrs. W. H. Smith, Mrs. H. P. Ivey, Mrs. J. F. Gregory, all of the Reidsville Church.

Report of the Appropriations Committee as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

We, your Committee on Appropriations, submit the following:

It appears that from all sources there is \$300.00 available to be appropriated. We recommend that from amount now in sight, \$100.00 be paid to Palm Street on parsonage pledge; we recommend that \$200.00 be appropriated to the work at Winston-Salem, and that after the \$200.00 is paid, that such monies as may be received between now and the next session be divided equally between Winston-Salem and Reidsville.

STANLEY C. HARRELL,
C. H. ROWLAND,
MRS. D. E. MITCHELL,
Committee.

Address: "Building Home Mission Fires in the Local Church," by Rev. W. E. Wisseman.

Report of the Finance Committee as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the reports of the Treasurer and the Financial Secretary and find the same correct.

We recommend that \$50.00 be paid to Mrs. C. H. Rowland on note of that amount due her, plus interest due.

Respectfully submitted,
W. E. WISSEMAN,
S. C. HARRELL,
B. J. EARP,

Committee.

Report adopted.

Report of the Nominating Committee as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We nominate the following persons for offices during the coming year:

President—Rev. G. C. Crutchfield.

Vice President—Rev. M. T. Sorrell.

Secretary—Rev. William T. Scott.

Financial Secretary—Rev. B. J. Earp.

Treasurer—Mrs. C. H. Rowland.

MRS. B. J. EARP,
MISS IDA SIMPSON,
C. H. ROWLAND,
Committee.

The report was received and the nominees duly elected.

Report of the Resolutions Committee as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

The encouraging report brought us by the Pastor of the Winston-Salem Church assures us that the investment we have made there has been worthwhile.

We recommend:

First, that we express our appreciation of the efforts of the officers in promoting the interests of the C. M. A. and request each pastor to aid them in increasing the number of memberships during the coming year.

Second, that we thank Dr. S. C. Harrell and Rev. W. E. Wisseman for their inspiring addresses.

Third, that we give a rising vote of thanks to the Reidsville Church for the splendid hospitality accorded us today.

MRS. C. H. ROWLAND,
MRS. J. R. FOSTER,
MRS. MARGARET PRITCHETTE,
Committee.

The Committee on Place of Meeting reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE OF MEETING.

Invitations have been received from First Christian Church, Greensboro and Bethlehem Church, Altamahaw.

MRS. C. H. GILLIAM,
MRS. D. E. MITCHELL,
MISS MABEL SOMERS.

Committee.

By vote the 1936 session will be held at Bethlehem Church, Tuesday after the First Sunday in December.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees:

Survey and Appropriations—Dr. S. C. Harrell, Dr. C. H. Rowland, Miss Ida Simpson.

Finance—Rev. W. E. Wisseman, B. J. Earp, Mrs. D. E. Mitchell.

Voted that the Executive Committee arrange for itineracy of pastors for promotion of C. M. A. work during Home Mission Period.

Voted that the officers constitute C. M. A. program committee.

Moved and carried that the minutes of this session be printed in THE CHRISTIAN ANNUAL at a cost not exceeding \$5.00.

Voted to refer the correction of minutes to president and secretary.

Adjournment with benediction by Rev. F. C. Lester.

G. C. CRUTCHFIELD, *President*,
W. T. SCOTT, *Secretary*.

Ministerial Directory.

Allred, J. M.	R. 1, Asheboro, N. C.
Andes, A. W.	Harrisonburg, Va.
Andes, Wm. J.	1700 College Road, Durham, N. C.
Apple, J. F.	Elon College, N. C.
Atkinson, J. O.	Elon College, N. C.
Bradshaw, Elisha	Walters, Va.
Brady, E. Carl	Hemp, N. C.
Brittle, R. E.	Suffolk, Va.
Carden, J. S.	906 Shepherd St., Durham, N. C.
Carter, Emory M.	Youngsville, N. C.
Caviness, H. C.	Greensboro, N. C.
Chapman, John Rea	Asheville, N. C.
Coulter, Roy D.	Ridgetop, Tenn.
Cox, H. V.	Ramseur, N. C.
Crutchfield, G. C.	R. F. D. No. 2, Burlington, N. C.
Crutchfield, H. E.	Paces, Va.
Cutchin, J. N.	South Norfolk, Va.
Denison, Warren H.	Dayton, Ohio
Denton, James A., Rt. 1	Apex, N. C.
Earp, B. J.	1612 Buffalo St., Greensboro, N. C.
Edwards, George N.	9 King St., Charleston, S. C.
Edwards, W. J.	High Point, N. C.
Fix, J. W.	Urbanna, Ill.
Fleming, P. H.	Burlington, N. C.
Flowers, A. R.	Sims, N. C.
Fogleman, J. U.	Snow Camp, N. C.
Foster, James L.	Elon College, N. C.
French, Joe	901 Hillside Ave., Ocean View, Va.
Fuller, W. B.	Harrisonburg, Va.
Garman, W. H.	1303 27th St., Norfolk, Va.
Gerringer, C. E.	Wakefield, Va.
Green, T. J.	R. 1, Ramseur, N. C.
Grissom, Raymond T.	Elk Spur, Va.
Hardcastle, H. S.	272 E. 39th St., Norfolk, Va.
Harrell, Stanley C.	Box 185, Durham, N. C.
Harward, W. D.	Dendron, Va.
Hayes, W. N.	R. 1, Seagrove, N. C.
House, Robert Lee	2308 Roanoke Ave., Newport News, Va.
Howard, B. J.	Chapel Hill, N. C.
Hyde, F. Ervin	Sanford, N. C.
Jay, W. M.	Suffolk, Va.
Johnson, I. W.	Suffolk, Va.
Jones, Elwood W.	Franklin, Va.
Johnson, J. Lee	Fuquay Springs, N. C.
Key, Carl R.	Holland, Va.
Lankford, G. O.	Elon College, N. C.
Lassiter, L. L.	Suffolk, Va.
Lee, J. H.	Rt. 3, Raleigh, N. C.
Lester, F. C.	505 S. Main St., Norfolk, Va.
Lightbourne, Jas. H.	Burlington, N. C.
Lowdermilk, B. H.	Ramseur, N. C.
Lowe, T. N.	Hopewell, Va.

Lucas, A. L.	Pisgah, N. C.
McCauley, J. E.	3206 Grove Ave., Richmond, Va.
Madren, Silas E.	Rt. 1, Henderson, N. C.
Martin, W. C.	Biscoe, N. C.
Moffitt, D. R.	Coleridge, N. C.
Moore, Wilson C.	Dover, Del.
Morgan, J. F.	3507 Bainbridge St., Norfolk, Va.
Neese, J. L.	Reidsville, N. C.
Newman, C. E.	Virgilina, Va.
Newman, J. U.	Elon College, N. C.
Newman, N. G.	Holland, Va.
Patton, J. W.	Elon College, N. C.
Pearce, Geo. A.	Wakefield, Va.
Penn, S. M.	Sophia, N. C.
Pierce, Jason Noble	Post and Mason Sts., San Francisco, Calif.
Pollard, M. A.	R. 2, Liberty, N. C.
Poythress, O. D.	1214 Guerriere St., South Norfolk, Va.
Raymond, C. Rexford	Southern Pines, N. C.
Roberts, J. M.	Windsor, Va.
Rountree, H. E.	3344 Granada Ave., San Diego, Calif.
Rowland, C. H.	15 N. Edgeworth St., Greensboro, N. C.
Sander, D. O.	
Scott, W. T.	2405 Elizabeth Ave., Winston-Salem, N. C.
Smith, Ivan R.	12 W. Clifford St., Winchester, Va.
Smith, L. E.	Elon College, N. C.
Smith, H. Shelton	Duke University, Durham, N. C.
Sorrell, M. T.	162 Third Ave., Danville, Va.
Spence, D. M.	Salem Chapel, N. C.
Sweet, Milo J.	Elon College, N. C.
Tally, G. M.	Carbonton, N. C.
Truitt, John G.	Suffolk, Va.
Warren, J. H.	Norfolk, Va.
Watkins, B. H.	R. F. D. 1, Lynchburg, Va.
Weekley, M. L.	Route 6, Harrisonburg, Va.
White, T. E.	Sanford, N. C.
Whitten, Robert A.	101 N. Hatton St., Portsmouth, Va.
Wicker, Walton C.	Elon College, N. C.
Williamson, R. Lee	R. 4, Box 47, Charlottesville, Va.
Wisseman, W. E.	315 N. Edgeworth St., Greensboro, N. C.
Wright, T. Fred	Waverly, Va.
Wyrick, L. L.	Elon College, N. C.

LICENTIATES.

Caviness, Mrs. H. C.	Greensboro, N. C.
Coble, R. H.	R. F. D. 5, Burlington, N. C.
Council, Herbert George, Jr.	Franklin, Va.
Elmore, O. A.	316 Walker Ave., Greensboro, N. C.
Granger, A. L., Jr.	Elon College, N. C.
Grissom, W. Alphonzo	Elon College, N. C.
Huber, L. E.	Belgian Congo, Africa
Kimball, Robert M.	Yale Divinity School, New Haven, Conn.
Nash, D. D.	Concord, N. C.
Neese, J. Everette	Elon College, N. C.
Phillips, S. W.	1508 Elm St., Portsmouth, Va.
Pugh, J. Q.	Franklinville, N. C.
Sanderson, Emerson, J.	Brown Summit, N. C.
Todd, Aubrey C.	Elon College, N. C.
Underwood, I. T.	Yanceyville, N. C.

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Proceedings of the Thirty-Second Regular Session of the Southern Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches.

HELD AT BURLINGTON, N. C.
APRIL 28TH TO MAY 1ST, 1936.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches, Incorporated, met in the Thirty-second Regular Session and was called to order at 4:00 P. M. by Dr. Stanley C. Harrell, President.

Song, "We're Marching to Zion," conducted by Rev. J. F. Morgan, Norfolk, Va.

Prayer by Dr. C. H. Rowland, Vice-President.

The following delegates were enrolled:

ENROLLMENT OF DELEGATES.

Eastern Virginia Conference—Ministers: R. E. Brittle, Joseph French, H. S. Hardcastle, Robert Lee House, W. M. Jay, F. C. Lester, J. F. Morgan, J. E. McCauley, N. G. Newman, O. D. Poythress, G. A. Pearce, L. E. Smith, John G. Truitt, R. A. Whitten, T. F. Wright, I. W. Johnson; laymen: M. W. Hollowell, M. J. W. White, Miss Edna Fulcher, J. A. Williams, Mrs. Phillip Jones, A. L. Jolly, H. W. Lee, Dr. J. E. Rawles, Mrs. J. M. Rabey, J. E. West.

Western North Carolina Conference—Ministers: James H. Lightbourne, G. O. Lankford, W. C. Martin, S. M. Penn, M. A. Pollard; laymen: W. H. Freeman, Junius H. Harden, Vitus R. Holt.

Eastern North Carolina Conference—Ministers: C. Rexford Raymond, W. C. Wicker, E. M. Carter, R. T. Grissom, S. E. Madren, George N. Edwards, F. Ervin Hyde, James L. Foster; laymen: A. H. McIver, J. A. Kimball, Miss Margaret Alston, J. F. Hilliard.

North Carolina and Virginia Conference—Ministers: J. O. Atkinson, J. F. Apple, J. S. Carden, G. C. Crutchfield, B. H. Watkins, C. H. Rowland, J. L. Neese, N. E. Newman, J. U. Newman, L. L. Wyrick, W. T. Scott, H. Shelton Smith, H. E. Crutchfield, John R. Chapman, Milo J. Sweet, D. M. Spence, Ben Joe Earp, W. E. Wisseman; laymen: W. T. Dunn, Jule Pace, Mrs. J. A. Wyatt, J. H. Wilkins, W. E. Walker, H. V. Simpson, W. B. Truitt, Dr. W. H. Boone, C. D. Johnston, Z. H. Lynch, Miss Emma Thomas, W. E. Cook, Mrs. Hepsie Brown, H. G. Earp, W. T. Moore.

Virginia Valley Central Conference—Ministers: W. J. Andes, R. L. Williamson; laymen: W. A. Crawford, R. O. Rothgeb, Mrs. Lena Rothgeb, Miss Minnie Dofflemeyer.

Total, 86.

The following visitors were recognized: Rev. Carl Voss, pastor of the Raleigh, N. C., Church; Rev. Arnold Slater, of Albemarle, N. C.; Dr. E. M. Halliday, of New York.

The program was submitted and adopted, subject to change by the Convention.

The report of the Executive Board was read by Dr. C. H. Rowland, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Executive Committee has transacted the following items of Business: The Financial Program adopted at the last session of the Convention did not apply to the then current conference year, the funds sent to the Convention by the Conferences were apportioned, as shown in the Report of the Treasurer, to the various enterprises designated to share in them.

Dr. L. E. Smith, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, and Mr. Charles D. Johnston were appointed a Committee to administer the Loan Fund for the education of ministers.

Your Committee also arranged to hold this session of the Convention with the First Christian Church, Burlington, N. C.

STANLEY C. HARRELL,
C. H. ROWLAND,
E. E. HOLLAND,
MILO J. SWEET,
LEVIS PRIZER,
Committee.

The report of Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treasurer, was read and referred to the Auditing Committee.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

APRIL 16, 1934, TO APRIL 28, 1936.

1934		CONVENTION FUND.	
Apr.	16	Balance	\$ 1,945.04
		Undistributed	2,173.44
		Overdraft	\$ 4,460.26
May	3	National Bank of Burlington	80.74
	4	Central Publishing Co.	600.00
June	16	I. W. Johnson, Secretary	50.00
		Mrs. S. G. Rollins	25.00
		Elon College, by C. D. Johnston	66.67
		Elon College, by L. E. Smith	600.00
July	10	Central Publishing Co.	300.00
Aug.	21	National Bank of Burlington	54.72
Oct.	4	Samuel Earman, Treasurer	406.55
	9	Central Publishing Co.	400.00
Dec.	4	O. D. Lawrence, Treasurer	910.00
		Central Publishing Co.	750.00
	6	Stanley C. Harrell, Secretary	2,700.00
		First & Merchants Nat. Bank, Richmond ..	600.00
	8	I. W. Johnson, Secretary	3,360.00
		Elon College Fund, Ex. Committee	2,400.00
		Superannuation Fund, Ex. Committee	1,200.00
	31	Tax on Checks22

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1935

Jan.	2	Central Publishing Co.	1,643.08	
Feb.	12	General Council	500.00	
Mar.	4	Central Publishing Co.	668.00	
	28	W. J. Ballentine, Treasurer	749.25	
May	11	Central Publishing Co.	198.65	
Oct.	1	Samuel Earman, Treasurer	382.04	
		Central Publishing Co.	250.00	
	14	Stanley C. Harrell, President	50.00	
Nov.	23	W. J. Ballentine, Treasurer	100.00	
		I. W. Johnson, Secretary	1,455.00	
	27	O. D. Lawrence, Treasurer	118.50	
	30	Central Publishing Co.	1,007.33	
Dec.	7	Stanley C. Harrell, Secretary	1,081.40	
	9	Central Publishing Co.	600.00	
1936				
Jan.	8	J. O. Atkinson, Secretary (refund)	52.80	
Mar.	5	General Council		1,000.00
		Overdraft	466.39	

			\$16,702.54	\$16,702.54
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1934

SUPERANNUATION FUND.

Apr.	16	Balance	\$ 1,108.88	
June	20	J. M. Fix, Treasurer		\$ 350.00
Oct.	8	H. B. Floyd, Treasurer	14.86	
Dec.	17	Distribution Ex. Committee	1,200.00	
	19	J. M. Fix, Treasurer		1,200.00

1935

Nov.	23	W. J. Ballentine, Treasurer	125.00	
		I. W. Johnson, Secretary	289.00	
		O. D. Lawrence, Treasurer	60.00	
Dec.	7	Stanley C. Harrell, Secretary	465.83	
	11	J. O. Atkinson, Chairman		754.83

1936

Jan.	2	J. O. Atkinson, Chairman		185.00
Apr.	28	Balance		773.74

			\$ 3,263.57	\$ 3,263.57
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1934

WOMAN'S BOARD.

July	20	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasurer	\$ 1,514.00	
	24	J. O. Atkinson, Secretary	\$ 1,514.00	
			\$ 1,514.00	\$ 1,514.00

1935

MISSIONS.

Nov.	23	W. J. Ballentine, Treas. (Con. Missions) ..	\$ 100.00	
		W. J. Ballentine Treas. (Foreign Missions) ..	75.00	
		I. W. Johnson, Sec'y (Con. Missions)	596.00	
		I. W. Johnson, Sec'y (Foreign Missions) ..	541.00	.....
		O. D. Lawrence, Treas. (Con. Missions) ..	118.50	
		O. D. Lawrence, Treas. (Foreign Missions) ..	118.50	
Dec.	7	S. C. Harrell, Sec'y (Con. Missions)	386.67	
		S. C. Harrell, Sec'y (Foreign Missions) ...	380.86	
	9	J. O. Atkinson, Secretary		\$ 1,904.53

1936

Jan.	2	J. O. Atkinson, Secretary		387.00
Apr.	28	Balance		25.00

			\$ 2,316.53	\$ 2,316.53
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ELON COLLEGE FUND.

Dec. 14	Distribution, Ex. Committee	\$ 2,400.00	
	Elon College		\$ 2,400.00

1935

Nov. 23	W. J. Ballentine, Treasurer	250.00	
	I. W. Johnson, Secretary	1,072.00	
	O. D. Lawrence, Treasurer	300.00	
Dec. 7	S. C. Harrell, Secretary	696.39	
	Elon College		1,768.39

1936

Jan. 2	Elon College	550.00	
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		\$ 4,718.39	\$ 4,718.39

1935

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

Nov. 23	W. J. Ballentine, Treasurer	\$ 102.00	
	I. W. Johnson, Secretary	164.00	
	O. D. Lawrence, Treasurer	34.50	
Dec. 7	S. C. Harrell, Secretary	262.00	

1936

Jan. 2	C. H. Stephenson, Treasurer	\$ 562.50	
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		\$ 562.50	\$ 562.50

1936

RECAPITULATION OF BALANCES.

Apr. 28	Superannuation	\$ 773.74	
	Missions	25.00	
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		\$ 798.74	
	Convention Fund, Overdraft	466.39	
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	Balance in Farmers Bank of Nansemond ..	\$ 332.35	

In keeping with my custom, I herewith append an exhibit of the funds handled by your Treasurer during the tenure of his office, covering a period of twenty-two years:

1914-1916	\$ 15,791.98
1916-1918	27,478.60
1918-1920	84,169.22
1920-1922	88,585.37
1922-1924	74,854.85
1924-1926	68,353.11
1926-1928	70,108.14
1928-1930	77,754.58
1930-1932	54,921.79
1932-1934	37,424.81
1934-1936	23,963.49
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	\$623,405.94

Permit me in closing my report to express to this Convention my keen appreciation of the honor that you have conferred upon me and the confidence that you have reposed in me for the twenty-two years that I have served as your Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,
WALTON CRUMP WICKER, *Treasurer.*

The President announced the appointment of the following special committees:

Finance and Apportionments—Dr. I. W. Johnson, Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, Mr. Vitus Holt, Dr. L. E. Smith, Rev. R. L. House, Colonel E. E. Holland, Dr. C. Rexford Raymond, Rev. R. L. Williamson, Rev. F. C. Lester, Colonel J. E. West.

Nominations—Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Rev. W. J. Andes, Dr. W. M. Jay, Mr. L. R. Jones, Mr. W. J. Ballentine, Rev. M. A. Pollard, Mr. C. D. Johnston, Rev. John R. Chapman, Dr. C. H. Rowland, Colonel J. E. West.

Press—Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Dr. W. M. Jay, Rev. W. E. Wisseman, Rev. F. C. Lester, Mr. John T. Kernodle, Rev. Carl Voss.

Resolutions—Rev. E. W. Jones, Rev. M. T. Sorrell, Rev. B. J. Earp, Mr. K. B. Johnson, Mr. J. A. Kimball, Rev. T. J. Green.

Credentials—Rev. C. E. Newman, Mr. George T. Gunter, Rev. S. E. Madren, Mr. W. T. Dunn, Rev. H. E. Crutchfield.

Auditing—Mr. C. D. Johnston, Rev. J. E. McCauley, Mr. W. V. Simpson, Mr. L. E. Carlton.

Address by Dr. Stanley C. Harrell, President, "The Present State of Convention Enterprises."

It was moved and carried that the President appoint a committee of five to take under advisement the recommendations submitted by the President.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary send a message of greetings and sympathy to Rev. A. W. Andes, Dr. W. H. Harward and Dr. P. H. Fleming, who are sick.

Convention adjourned until the evening session.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Convention assembled at 8 o'clock.

Special music, "O Come to My Heart, Lord Jesus," by the choir of the Christian Church.

Prayer by Dr. L. E. Smith.

Address, "The World Outlook—1918-1936," by Dr. Fred B. Smith, of New York.

Benediction by Dr. E. M. Halliday.

SECOND DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

Convention called to order at 9:30 o'clock.

Hymn 160, "Stepping in the Light."

Prayer led by Rev. Arnold Slater.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved. Roll call.

The President appointed the following committees:

Additions to Board of Publications—Revs. R. L. House and W. M. Jay.

Committee on Recommendations—J. G. Truitt, F. E. Hyde, F. C. Lester, W. E. Wisseman, John R. Chapman.

Rev. John R. Chapman, Vice-President, was presented to the Convention and responded with appropriate remarks.

Report of the Committee on Historical Research read by Dr. J. O. Atkinson and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HISTORICAL RESEARCH.

Your Committee on Historical Research, appointed at the last session of the Convention, are pleased to report that some papers, books and documents bearing immediately and vitally upon the history of our church have been collected and donated to and are now in the historical room of the Elon College Library. Among these of special worth and mention are files (not entirely complete) of—

The Annual of the Southern Christian Convention.

The Annual of the American Christian Convention.

The Christian Sun.

Life of Rev. James O'Kelly.

Lives of Christian Ministers.

Album of Christian Ministers, Church Workers and Colleges.

Blue-print of the family tree of O'Kelly.

Scrap-book on O'Kelly.

Principles and Government of the Christian Church.

Bible of Rev. D. F. Jones, our first Christian missionary.

Early history of Christian Church—Minutes of early Conferences—compiled bound and placed in Elon College library, by Mr. MacClenny.

Pamphlets on Abner Jones, Horace Mann, Elias Smith, Barton Stone and early women of the Christian Church, by Burnett.

"Divine Oracles" and "Prospect Before Us," by Rev. James O'Kelly.

History of the Holy Neck Christian Church, by Dr. N. G. Newman.

Directory of Third Christian Church, Norfolk, 1919, Dr. L. E. Smith.

Directory of Lanett Christian Church, Lanett, Ala.

Outline of Church History of the First Six Centuries, by J. J. Summerbell.

Life and Writings of Rev. Henry Y. Rush, by B. F. Vaughn.

The Christian and the Great Commission, by Josiah Bishop.

Centennial History of Miami Christian Church.

The Wellons Family.

From a diary, by F. W. Barrett—Presented by author.

These Twain—Presented by Dr. Atkinson.

Old family Bible recording the marriage of Nicholas Summerbell and Euphemia Johnson Sutton, 1843, and the birth of Joseph James Summerbell, 1844. Presented by Rev. B. F. Black.

Survey of the Churches of the Christian Denomination in North Carolina and Virginia. A thesis written by Rev. Robert Lee House.

Rev. J. W. Wellons book-case and secretary containing books, pictures, sermons, correspondence, etc.

J. P. Barrett Collection. Presented by Mrs. Barrett.

Charles Whitelock Memoriam.

For Humanity—a play written by Dr. Lawrence.

Large framed colored tin-type of the J. B. Wellons family.

Picture of Antioch College.

Picture of Elon College.

Program of first Elon College commencement, etc.

The Christian Church, as a distinct communion, is comparatively young but has made a contribution to history far more important and significant than its numbers would indicate. From the beginning we have held to the devout faith and belief that Christians, followers of the Christ, may differ

widely in their individual beliefs, but that they may be one in Christ, even as our Lord prayed that they may be one even as we are one. Holding such a faith, we certainly should be zealous in collecting and preserving the history we have made in order that our generation and the generations to follow may know the foundations upon which we have builded and the contribution we have made and are making to the kingdom of righteousness.

We, therefore, recommend—

1st. That the fire-proof library building at Elon College be designated the place for depositing this historical data, and that a room for this collection be known as the Church History Room.

2nd. That there be appointed in each Conference, composing the Convention, a person to be on the inquiry and lookout for and assist in collecting books and documents of interest and historical worth to be sent to the church historical room of the Elon College Library.

3rd. That all material collected and sent in shall be in charge of the librarian of the College, and that the material shall be made accessible only by the librarian's consent.

4th. Your Commission suggests that there is pressing need at present for cases and files and display cards, book-plates, etc., for the proper preservation and display of this historical material, and that a gift of such an equipment on the part of any member of the Convention or friend would be most timely and a very helpful benevolence, and would be deeply appreciated by the Commission and by the Library of the College.

5th. We should now extend our efforts of collection so as to include the Congregational Church history prior to the union of the two bodies.

6th. We recommend that the receipt of historical data and documents shall be acknowledged through The Christian Sun by the librarian of the College, and from time to time notices be given in The Sun of material that would be helpful both in complete and incomplete files and other historical documents.

J. O. ATKINSON,
N. G. NEWMAN,
Committee.

ANNUALS OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION IN FILES OF ELON COLLEGE LIBRARY.

1861
1864
1870-71
1873-75
1877-1904
1906, 1907
1908
1910-1922
1925-26
1927
1930
1932-1935

ANNUALS OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION NOT IN FILES OF ELON COLLEGE LIBRARY.

1862-1863
1872
1876
1905
1909
1923
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1928
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Report of Mr. W. E. MacClenny, Historian, read by the Secretary and admitted to record as follows:

REPORT OF HISTORIAN.

During the past two years your historian has not had much time to do research work.

We are today in the vicinity of the place where the first blow for freedom from British taxation took place in 1771, at Alamance.

It was from this section of North Carolina that Lord Cornwallis started to Virginia, which finally closed the struggle at Yorktown in 1781.

Not far from here stood the home of Rev. James O'Kelly, the organizer of the Christian Church in the South, and on his plantation stands his monument erected by his friends in 1854.

This is also the home section of Rev. D. W. Kerr, the pioneer in education in the Christian Church, South; as well as the founder of *The Christian Sun*, the official organ of this body. He began teaching in 1826 at the Wake Forest Pleasant Grove Academy, and in 1838, came nearer, to Junto Academy, at which place he brought out the first issue of *The Christian Sun* in 1844, the paper being printed at Hillsboro, by Dennis Heartt, one of the oldest printers in N. C. at that time.

Only a short distance from here was started Graham Institute at New Providence meeting house, and later moved to the town of Graham when that town was laid off. This was the germ from which the present Elon College grew.

At Union not far from here the Southern Christian Convention was organized in 1856, and then it was reorganized at Mt. Auburn in 1866, where the future of the Christian Church was planned.

Through the kindness of Rev. Murdock W. Butler, formerly a member of this body, but now a minister of Conshohocken, Penn., we have come in possession of some very rare books, bearing on the doings of the early Christian Church in the South. One was "Hymns and Spiritual Songs designed for the Use of Christians," by Rev. James O'Kelly, published by the Minerva Press, Raleigh, N. C. by Thomas W. Scott, 1816.

Another "The Pilgrim Hymn Book", offered as a companion to all Zion travelers, by Elder Joseph Thomas, second edition, Winchester, Va. Printed by J. Foster, 1817.

The Hymn Book of Rev. Jasper Hazen, printed at Albany, N. Y. in 1849, containing 1156 Hymns, or at least that is the number still remaining in the book, as well as a preface by the compiler.

Also a book with this title:—Sermons, containing an illustration of prophecies to be accomplished from the present time until the new heavens and earth are created, when the prophecies will be fulfilled, by Elias Smith, Portsmouth, N. H., 1808. He was the first editor of *The Herald of Gospel Liberty*.

On the fly leaf of this is written: "Mills Barrett's book, bought of Elias Smith, Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Price 6 shillings."

From another friend we secured "A History of The Christian Church", its rise. Progress, present condition, sentiments and government with an advocacy of each, by Dr. J. R. Freese, Philadelphia, Pa., 1849. Second edition. On the title page is this "And ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

We have located a copy of Rev. Nicholas Snethen's reply to Rev. James O'Kelly's Apology in the rare book room of the Congressional library, but have not had the opportunity to consult same. When this is read it will no doubt throw much light on the beginning of the Christian Church in the South.

We have not yet been able to find a copy of Rev. Mills Barrett's Hymn Book, published in Norfolk about 1828.

Through the courtesy of Rev. Dr. J. O. Atkinson we have been permitted to read Rev. James O'Kelly's book, "The Prospect Before Us by Way of an

Address". As a large part of this deals with the subject of baptism, we surmise that this was called his tract on Baptism by some.

Within the past two years many special services had been held at different churches in the Convention. At most of these, historical sketches of the local churches have been prepared and read by those who were the best qualified to do it. Some of these have been published in *The Christian Sun* and will be of great worth to the future historian of the church.

Dr. William Wesley Staley, who was from this section, and once worked in this town as a boy, passed away in the fall of 1932, and although he was the directing mind of the Southern Christian Convention for about half of its existence, yet no biography of him has as yet been written, nor have his friends or the Convention erected any monument to his memory.

From what we learn there is being collected gradually a vast amount of historical material at the Elon College library for the use of the students.

We might add that the Archives Department of the University of Virginia is diligently seeking to assemble all the data possible on all of the old churches in Virginia, and whenever a historical paper on any of our Virginia churches is prepared and delivered, a copy of it will be appreciated by Prof. Lester J. Cappon, Chief Archivist, University, Va. We might add that Miss Louise Savage, a member of the Christian Church, and formerly an officer at Elon College, is now in charge of the acquisition department of Archives of the University of Virginia Library, and we feel sure that anything sent there will be properly looked after by her.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. MACCLENNY,

Historian.

Church Promotional Plans.

Address, "How We May Promote," by Dr. Lewis T. Reed, Secretary of Ministerial Relief, New York.

Worship period, by Dr. John G. Truitt; topic, "When Ye Pray."

Communion service conducted by Dr. C. Arthur Lincoln.

Benediction by Dr. C. Arthur Lincoln.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

After a luncheon on the campus at Elon College, the Convention assembled in the Whitley Auditorium and was called to order at 2 o'clock.

Three musical numbers were rendered by the College Choir.

Prayer by Dr. C. Arthur Lincoln.

Report of the Board of Education was read by Dr. L. E. Smith, Chairman.

It was moved and seconded that the report be adopted, except the items referring to the Convention bonds and note, which were referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following persons spoke on the Elon Development Campaign: Mr. Homer Andrews, chairman Alamance County; Mr. J. Oscar Atkinson, Jr., alumni chairman; Mr. W. W. Kimball, for the students; Dr. L. E. Smith, President; Mr. C. E. Lovett, on campaign procedure; Revs. Carl R. Key and C. Rexford Raymond.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The founders of the Christian church were men of vision. They saw the need of constructive leadership if the kingdom of righteousness were to be established in the earth. They had a passion for the lost and compassion for the needy. Under the ministry of the early leaders of our church men were won to Christ by the hundreds. Indifferent to organization much of the fruits of their labors were lost. They became concerned for the conservation of the good accomplished. Churches were organized, conferences were formed and later the forerunner of this Convention was authorized. The Convention representing the united consciousness of the church and feeling the responsibility of leadership among the churches organized certain departments to care for the different interests of the church. More and more the need of a thoroughly trained ministry was evident.

In an effort to meet this need Elon College was founded in 1889. Since the founding of the college our church has been conscious of the need of Christian education, of Christian principles and of Christian instruction in all branches of higher learning. That is to say all education.

Training should be given by Christian men and Christian women under Christian influence.

The world of higher education, about two decades ago, was tempted to turn from church institutions for the training of leadership in state and political affairs. There was a serious effort to divorce the church from the field of higher education. In these later days, however, the sentiment has faced about and to-day men of affairs are beginning to realize that the fruits of the church school are most likely to express themselves in safe and sane leadership in all fields of human endeavor. The church school has done more to save this country from destructive materialistic domination than this age has yet realized. A quarter of a century ago the principles of Christ applied to government and industry seemed revolutionary. Today they are hailed with delight and are considered the only basis for true democracy and true progress.

Elon College, an institution of higher learning of the Congregational and Christian churches in the South, is proud to be recognized as an institution of the church and gladly dedicates itself to the task of training in constructive leadership for today and the days that are to come. Through the vision and wise planning of my predecessor, Doctor W. A. Harper, Elon College boasts of an equipment that is ideal for a church school and that is second to none in institutions of its class in this country. During the past four years the enrollment of the College has increased remarkably. In 1932 there were 231 students, in 1935-1936 there are 483 students. Notably advancement has been made in the personnel of the college faculty. We have always had some choice men and women on our faculty, teachers who have done unusually good work, but as the standards for institutions of higher learning have been advanced we have been compelled to keep pace with other institutions. The greater majority of our present faculty hold their doctor's degrees from the leading universities of this country or have completed all resident requirements for their advanced degrees. Elon's faculty will meet the educational test of accrediting agencies.

If you will read the reports of the Board of Education to this Convention in biennial session for the past forty years, you will find that at every session we have deplored the serious lack of funds for the college, have proposed plans, and issued appeals that the college might be able to meet her obligations and do her work without embarrassment.

This report is no exception in this particular. However, the financial condition of Elon College is far more favorable today than it has been for years. At our meeting two years ago the college seemed to be hopelessly in debt. Debts mounted up, interest accumulated until we owed the staggering amount of \$704,170.84. Through a process of adjustments, cooperation of creditors, and

by a most generous bequest of the late P. J. Carlton, a great benefactor of the college, this enormous debt has been reduced to \$160,700. The one great task confronting the college, this Convention, the friends and alumni of the college, is to pay this debt, set the college free and bid it God's speed in its mission.

In keeping with the authorization of this Convention in a previous session, the college is inaugurating a church-wide campaign to raise \$250,000 for the college, \$160,700 to provide for the cancellation of the debts of the college, the remainder to meet the expenses of the campaign, the cost of necessary repairs, and to supplement our current budget that the college may go without deficit for a period during which time it will have the opportunity of increasing its endowment and in other ways increasing its income. This is a great undertaking but it can be done. We are, therefore, calling on every member of the church, every friend and alumnus, and every alumna of the college to give to the extent of his ability of thought, of time, and of money. If all will be generous to this extent there will be no question as to the final results.

In 1924 this Convention authorized the issuing to the college bonds in the amount of \$500,00; \$400,000 to be known as Elon College bonds and \$100,000 to be known as Bethlehem bonds. Later the Bethlehem bonds were returned to the Convention and were subsequently turned over to Elon College as a part of its endowment. Previously the Convention had given its note in the amount of \$112,500, the same to bear 6 per cent interest and to constitute a part of the college's endowment. In as much as the college has effected a plan for the settlement of its debts and is now conducting a general campaign to take care of its remaining indebtedness and in as much as these bonds are without value, therefore, be it resolved;

1. That these bonds authorized and issued by this Convention for the college be cancelled and destroyed. (Referred to Committee on Finance.)

2. That the college be requested to surrender the Convention's note for \$12,500 and the \$100,000 in bonds held as part of the endowment to the Convention. (Referred to Committee on Finance.)

3. That in lieu of the above the Convention give its note in the amount of \$250,000 to the college, the principal of which shall be non-payable, but that the Convention assume the responsibility and bind itself to pay 4 per cent interest annually on said note. This interest is to be paid through apportionments to the churches by the Convention and to be credited on the local church's conference apportionment. This note for \$250,000 is to be a part of the endowment fund of the college. (Referred to Committee on Finance.)

4. That the college be requested to call upon all who are indebted to the educational loan fund of the Convention to make payments as rapidly as possible that other needy ministerial students may have privileges such as they enjoyed when they were in need of an education.

5. That we endorse and express our appreciation of the recent accomplishment of the college in adjusting its debts and that we pledge ourselves unitedly to assist to the extent of our ability in the full accomplishment of the goal set for the present campaign for the college.

L. E. SMITH,

JOHN G. TRUITT,

Committee.

APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

Convention adjourned till the evening session.

Benediction by Dr. Lewis T. Reed.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Following a young people's banquet, the Convention was called to order at 8:20 o'clock, Rev. John R. Chapman, Vice-President, presiding.

Hymn, "I Need Thee Every Hour."

Prayer led by Rev. W. E. Wisseman.

Report of the Board of Christian Education read by Rev. F. C. Lester, Chairman.

Address, "Educating for Today and Tomorrow," by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle.

Address by Rev. F. C. Lester.

General discussion of Youth Fellowship by several young people.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

To the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches, meeting in Burlington, N. C., April 28-May 1, 1936.

The Board of Christian Education of the Southern Convention corresponds to the departments of Leadership Training and of Young People's Work of our denomination. The past biennium has not been the best in the history of the Board, but we have sought to do faithful service under the existing conditions.

In the field of leadership training, we have conducted the Summer School at Elon, aided in promoting training schools in Norfolk, Suffolk, and Newport News. At other places our people have shared in cooperative schools with other denominations and have conducted training classes in their own local churches usually with aid from our Board. Our records indicate that more than 500 people have been in these schools and that two-thirds of them have received credit for work accomplished. The school at Elon last year was combined with the Blue Ridge Conference which had been conducted by the Congregationists. This was a happy union of our training forces, and we had practically 100 more people present than were at Elon the summer before. Quite a number of people have borrowed leadership training books to read personally and have thus increased their abilities as leaders although they have received no credit for this work.

Vacation Church Schools were aided in several places through personal consultation and the loan of books and materials. It was our pleasure to send two workers last summer to aid in the vacation schools at Fancy Gap and Elkspar.

The young people's work has made real progress. In this church, four years ago, the young people requested admission into the Southeast Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches as a department of young people to be known as Youth Fellowship, and were admitted. There are now Youth Fellowship organizations in each of the five conferences within the Southern Convention, but there is *no Southern Convention Youth Fellowship organization*. Lanson Granger, one of our young ministers of this Convention, is president of the Southeast Youth Fellowship which includes all of the Fellowships in this Convention and those in Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, and Florida. Last year they met in their biennial session in connection with the Southeast Convention which was held in Raleigh, North Carolina. At the Elon Summer School they had a special class to study their work, and representatives from every conference in Elon territory were present. At Christmas time last year they held an excellent conference at Winter Park, Florida, with representatives from every state in the Southeast Convention present. Their work is quite well organized and is making considerable progress.

The Board of Christian Education maintains an office at 505 South Main Street, Norfolk, Virginia, and seeks in every possible way to aid the churches in leadership training aid and to encourage and guide the young people in their work. Funds will not permit us to have a field worker, who is badly needed, however, the records indicate that workers of the Board have traveled considerably more than 10,000 miles during the past two years. A large number of churches call on us for aid with special programs of all kinds. We are delighted to furnish materials or to direct people to where materials can be secured. We have accumulated quite a little library on religious education. These books are available to those who want to read at no cost to the individual except return postage. Most of our work is personal correspondence with leaders concerning their individual problems.

Five hundred and eighty-five Bibles and New Testaments, supplied to us by a young, business man, have been distributed through the churches, mostly to ten-year-old children. These books are free for the asking, and we would be delighted to distribute a much larger number. We are limited in this distribution only by the number of requests which come to us.

The treasurer's report shows the amount of money we have received and how it has been spent. The Convention authorized us to receive funds from Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Conventions, a special annual offering from the Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor societies, and a small percentage from Conference Apportionments. It has been our pleasure to aid all five of the Sunday School Conventions with their programs, and in turn each convention has contributed to the Board all the money received with the exception of the necessary amount to carry on their work. You will note from the totals that the amount received by the Board is entirely inadequate for us to do effective work. We have had an office secretary who has given full time at the rate of \$5.00 per week. A church that pays such a salary can hardly say much concerning wages paid by industry. The Chairman of the Board gives half or more of his time to the work with a salary of \$25.00 per month. It has been our desire to put back into churches in service as much as possible, but oftentimes the work has been crippled because we did not have sufficient funds with which to work. The Sunday School conventions do not feel that they can raise more money, and pastors and superintendents are quite convinced that they should not be called on for offerings other than those for Missions and the Orphanage monthly and Elon College quarterly, and the annual offerings for these same purposes. As the Board sees it, this means that if we are to have sufficient funds with which to work it will be necessary for us to receive a larger percentage of Conference Apportionments.

We believe that religious education will have to be emphasized before our churches grow. Unless the Sunday schools, Christian Endeavor societies, and young people's organizations become effective; unless the churches have a program of education that will reach and inspire the people in our churches, there is little hope for us making much progress. The Board of Christian Education respectfully requests the Southern Convention to reconsider its financial program in the light of the needs of the religious education which will build up the local churches in our Convention.

If we could have vacation schools, leadership training schools and classes, more direction for young people's work, conferences for superintendents, institutes on evangelism, and personal visitation with pastors, superintendents, and leaders in the local churches, it is easy to believe that a new day would dawn in the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches. But unless there is more money available for this work it will be impossible to do more than aid a little here and there those who are most interested and leave the uninterested to go on in their discouraging way.

We are eager to serve, and the need is exceedingly great. It is within the power of this Convention to say what shall be done, and the members of the

present Board are eager that those who shall be elected at this Convention may be encouraged to undertake in a larger way than we have been able to do in the past.

F. C. LESTER, *Chairman*,
 MRS. C. H. ROWLAND,
 PRISCILLA CHASE,
 R. LEE HOUSE,
 J. F. MORGAN,
 H. S. HARDCASTLE,
 JOHN CHAPMAN,
 GEO. N. EDWARDS,
 W. H. BAKER,
 C. H. STEPHENSON,
Committee.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

APRIL 30, 1934 TO APRIL 20, 1936.

Balance in Bank, April 30, 1934 \$ 79.16

RECEIPTS.

Sunday Schools.

	1934	1935	
Holland, Va.	\$ 2.15	\$ 15.00	
Bethlehem, Va.	4.75	4.40	
Liberty (Vance), N. C.	6.75	.....
Henderson, N. C.	2.75	.....
Waverly, Va.	3.60	.....
Dendron, Va.	2.28	.....
First, Richmond, Va.	4.11	2.90	
High Point, N. C.	1.10	.....
Union (Southampton), Va. ....	.55	2.50	
Rosemont, Norfolk, Va.	6.00	.....
Greensboro, N. C.	5.00	.....
Newport News, Va.	10.57	15.00	
Spring Hill, Va.	1.12	.....
Pleasant Grove, Va.	1.00	.....
Burlington, N. C.	1.00	.....
Christian Temple, Norfolk, Va.	20.00	.....
First, Norfolk, Va. ....	.....	4.00	
Mt. Olivet, Va. ....	.....	6.81	
Union, Lynchburg, Va. ....	.....	5.00	
United, Raleigh, N. C. ....	.....	8.00	
Linville, Va. ....	.....	3.68	
First, Portsmouth, Va.	10.00	
Carolina Christian, N. C.	2.00	
Holy Neck, Holland, Va.	3.08	
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	\$ 72.73	\$ 82.37	\$ 155.10

Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Conventions

Eastern North Carolina	\$ 85.00	\$ 49.80	
Eastern Virginia	600.00	500.00	
Valley Virginia	64.86	35.75	
North Carolina and Virginia	100.00	94.00	
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	\$ 849.86	\$ 679.55	1,529.41

Loans.

Bank	\$ 197.88	197.88
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Specials.

C. J. Strickland	\$ 100.00	
Office Work	1.00	
Suffolk Training School	1.00	
Norfolk Training School		\$ 2.90	
Southeast Convention, Rebate		5.00	
Conference Apportionment		562.50	
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	\$ 102.00	\$ 570.40	\$ 672.40

Total			\$2,633.95
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DISBURSEMENTS.

Salary and Expense Account:

Rev. F. C. Lester	\$1,694.65
Miss Edna Fulcher	138.13
Bank, Repayment of Loan	200.00
Printing, Central Publishing Co., Inc.	29.80
Elon Summer School, Deficit	25.64
To <i>The Christian Sun</i>	250.00
Board Meetings	9.60
Youth Fellowship	75.00
Bank, Check and Service Charges	2.28

Total Disbursements	2,425.10
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Balance in Bank, April 30, 1936	\$ 208.85
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NOTE.—Amount in closed North Carolina Bank & Trust Co., \$765.40, was voted to United Church, Raleigh, N. C., to assist in clearing note.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. STEPHENSON, *Treasurer,*
Board of Christian Education.

Benediction by Rev. W. E. Wisseman.

THIRD DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

Convention met and called to order at 9:30 o'clock.

Hymn, "Trust and Obey."

Prayer by Dr. J. U. Newman.

Minutes of Wednesday's sessions read and approved.

Recommendation from the Women's Missionary Convention, that a full-time worker be employed to promote the educational program of the Church, was presented by Mrs. W. E. Wisseman. After discussion, the Convention voted to refer this recommendation to the Special Committee appointed to consider the recommendations contained in the President's message, one of which is directly in line with said recommendation.

Report of Board of Superannuation presented by Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Chairman.

Address by Dr. Lewis T. Reed.

Report of Board of Superannuation adopted, with the agreement that there shall be written into it the Board's approval of the plan presented by Dr. Reed, which plan is hereby endorsed by this Convention.

Report as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF SUPERANNUATION

During the biennium, now closing, we have worked unitedly with the Board of Ministerial Relief of our Congregational-Christian Churches, Dr. Lewis T. Reed, Secretary, 287 Fourth Avenue, New York. Dr. Reed has shown every consideration in seeking to promote our work to care for the funds forwarded him and to send checks promptly upon recommendation of your Board. We regret to note that the Christmas offering the past year fell below that of the previous year. We hardly know how to account for this, except that the weather prevented congregations and church service in many parts of our territory at the time the offering should have been taken. However, we now have ministerial relief in our Apportionment Table, as adopted by this Convention two years ago, and our hope is that this opportunity will be fully met by the Conferences. May I again reiterate the fact that this is a real benevolence, and that no fund contributed is more worthily bestowed than the grants through benevolence to our superannuates. Our great need is for more funds that the faithful, who have spent their strength and energy on small salaries, shall be cared for in their years of feebleness and when they are unable physically to carry forward the work.

We have invited Dr. Reed to be with us in this session in order that he may bring to us a full realization of the magnanimous work our united fellowship is doing and is seeking to do through this channel of helpfulness. Our ministers need to get in line for benefits from the Annuity and the Pilgrim Fund, but this can only be done by the cooperation of the churches with the ministers. This item is to be explained more fully by Dr. Reed.

The present Board was organized June 4, 1934, since which time the following grants were voted and paid:

July 1, 1934, to December 31, 1934—

Mrs. Ebbie Moffitt	\$ 80.00
Mrs. P. T. Klapp	100.00
Mrs. C. C. Peele	100.00
Mrs. L. I. Cox	100.00
Mrs. J. P. Barrett	100.00
Mrs. J. W. Knight	80.00
Mrs. C. M. Dollar	50.00
Rev. W. D. Harward	300.00
Mrs. Emma Fogleman	80.00
Rev. W. N. Hayes	100.00
Mrs. J. W. Elder	25.00
Rev. J. S. Carden	100.00
Mrs. G. R. Underwood	100.00
Dr. G. O. Lankford	150.00

Total\$ 1,465.00

July 1, 1935 to December 31, 1935—

Mrs. P. T. Klapp	\$ 100.00
Mrs. C. C. Peele	100.00
Mrs. L. I. Cox	100.00
Mrs. J. P. Barrett	100.00
Mrs. Ebbie Moffitt	80.00
Mrs. J. W. Knight	80.00

Rev. W. D. Harward	300.00
Mrs. Emma Fogleman	80.00
Rev. W. N. Hayes	100.00
Mrs. G. R. Underwood	100.00
Dr. G. O. Lankford	300.00
Dr. C. H. Rowland	150.00
Rev. J. S. Carden	100.00

Total\$ 1,690.00

Your Board meets and orders grants to be sent out July first and about December 20th of each year. Our credits in the New York office at present are \$746.50. Since the grants made in December, total \$970.00 and an equal amount should be on hand for the grants that should be voted July first, we heartily recommend that the practice now obtaining in some churches be adopted by all our churches, viz:—An offering for this fund on Communion Sunday, and that the same be forwarded soon thereafter as possible either to Dr. Lewis T. Reed, Secretary, 287 Fourth Avenue, New York City, or to the chairman of your Board of Superannuation.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

J. O. ATKINSON, *Chairman*,
D. ROY FONVILLE, *Secretary*.

Report of Committee on Nominations submitted by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Chairman, was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

We the Committee on Nominations submit the following report:

Officers—President, Dr. Stanley C. Harrell; Vice-Presidents, Dr. C. H. Rowland and Rev. John Chapman; Secretary, Dr. I. W. Johnson; Assistant Secretaries, Mrs. Mary A. Rollings and Dr. George N. Edwards; Treasurer, Dr. W. C. Wicker (no salary); Mission Secretary, Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Trustees of Elon College—H. Shelton Smith, W. W. Sellars, A. L. Jolly, J. O. Atkinson, A. W. Andes, Kemp B. Johnson, D. R. Fonville, Mrs. R. J. Kernodle, John L. Farmer, Miles H. Krumbine, J. Edward Kirby, E. C. Gillette, J. D. MacClenny, Herbert A. Carlton, Vitus R. Holt, J. G. Truitt, Mrs. R. T. Bradford, J. Stanley Durkee, J. T. Kernodle, E. H. Rawles, Garland Gray, L. R. Jones, F. M. Brewer, W. A. Harper, Harry K. Eversull.

Mission Board—J. E. West, Mrs. J. G. Truitt, C. Rexford Raymond, J. A. Williams, J. M. Darden, K. B. Johnson, Mrs. E. W. Boshart, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, A. W. Andes, H. S. Hardcastle.

Christian Orphanage—J. M. Darden, V. R. Holt, J. H. McEwen, B. D. Jones, C. A. Lincoln.

Board of Superannuation—J. O. Atkinson, C. D. Johnston, D. R. Fonville, J. M. Fix, J. H. Lightbourne.

Board of Education—L. E. Smith, E. L. Moffatt, E. E. Holland, J. G. Truitt, C. Rexford Raymond, John Rea Chapman.

Board of Publications—N. G. Newman, C. H. Rowland, F. C. Lester, J. G. Truitt, C. A. Lincoln.

Executive Committee—S. C. Harrell, J. H. Lightbourne, E. E. Holland, J. E. Rawles, C. Rexford Raymond.

Board of Christian Education—F. C. Lester, Joe French, R. L. House, Pattie Coghill, George N. Edwards, W. H. Baker, John Chapman, W. T. Scott, C. H. Stephenson, Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, Carl Voss.

Editors of "The Christian Sun"—F. C. Lester, editor-in-chief; E. C. Gillette, associate editor; Elisha A. King, George N. Edwards, I. W. Johnson, J. O. Atkinson, contributing editors.

Delegates to the General Council—Dr. S. C. Harrell, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Dr. I. W. Johnson, Rev. George N. Edwards, Mrs. I. W. Johnson, Mrs. W. R. Sellers, Mrs. John G. Truitt.

H. S. **HARDCASTLE**, *Chairman,*
Committee.

Report of Committee on Finance and Apportionments read by Dr. I. W. Johnson, Chairman, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance met in Suffolk, Virginia, Thursday, April 23, 1936, and spent almost a full day in carefully considering the financial needs of the various enterprises of the Convention. The Departments of the Convention were represented on the Committee, and a full, free, and frank discussion of the problems was granted every representative. As a result of this meeting the recommendations are submitted for your consideration:

1. That the Convention reaffirm its approval of setting up definite Apportionments to be raised by several Conferences for the various Funds hereinafter-named; with a recommendation that the Conference likewise set up definite Apportionments to be raised by the churches for these same causes.

2. That the President and Treasurer of the Convention be authorized to recall and destroy the following outstanding obligations of the Convention: (1) The Southern Christian Convention, Incorporated, Bonds in the face value of \$500,000.00, with coupons attached, issued by order of the Convention, May 1st, 1924; and (2) a note for \$115,000.00 given to the Trustees of Elon College, with interest at 6 per cent, to be held as Endowment.

3. That upon the execution of the above order, the President and Secretary of the Convention be hereby authorized, in the name of and for the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches Incorporated, to execute a note to the Board of Trustees of Elon College for two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00), the principal of which shall not be collectible, with interest at 4 per cent per annum, payable annually, said interest to be paid from receipts collected on the "Elon College Fund" raised by the churches and paid to the Convention, or direct to Elon College.

4. That for each year, for the next biennium, the Convention will need \$44,000.00, to be apportioned as follows:

Convention Fund	\$ 5,000.00
Convention (Home) Missions	5,000.00
Foreign Missions	5,000.00
Elon College Fund	12,500.00
Superannuated Fund	2,500.00
Christian Education	1,500.00
Orphanage	12,500.00

Total\$ 44,000.00

The above mentioned funds to be raised by the several Conferences comprising the Convention, as follows:

	E. Va.	Va. Val.	E. N. C.	N. C. & Va.	W. N. C.
Convention Fund	\$ 2,000	\$ 300	\$ 710	\$ 1,280	\$ 710
Convention Missions ...	2,000	300	710	1,280	710
Foreign Missions	2,000	300	710	1,280	710
Elon College Fund	5,000	700	1,800	3,200	1,800
Superannuated Fund ...	1,000	150	355	640	355
Christian Education ...	500	250	215	320	215
Orphanage	3,500	750	1,750	3,500	3,000
Totals	\$ 15,000	\$ 2,750	\$ 6,250	\$ 11,500	\$ 7,500

5. That to assist in raising the above mentioned Funds, a Special Offering at Easter shall be received by the churches for Missions; a Special Thanksgiving Offering for the Orphanage; a Special Christmas Offering for the Superannuated Fund; a Special Offering for Elon College in the Elon College Period. These Offerings to be the only Special Offerings for these purposes; and said Offerings shall be credited by the local churches on their respective Conference Apportionments.

6. That to provide for the support of "*The Christian Sun*", for each year, there shall be paid by the Orphanage, by Elon College and the Mission Board the sum of \$500.00 each and for the Board of Religious Education the sum of \$250.00; and \$2,500.000 from the Convention Fund-making a total of \$4,000.00, all of which payments shall be made upon the basis of the contract made for publishing *The Sun*, and upon the order of the President of the Convention.

7. That the present plan of monthly offerings for Missions and the Orphanage, and the Fifth Sunday Offering for Elon College to be taken by the Sunday Schools, be continued; said funds collected to be paid to the designated agencies and credited on the respective Conference Apportionment.

8. That the Orphanage, the Mission Board and Elon College shall be authorized to make appeals for support to individuals, each during the period herein designated as follows: Elon College: January, February, July, August, September, and Commencement; Missions: March, April, May, June; the Orphanage: October, November, December; The Board of Religious Education: Offering from Sunday Schools; July, August. All these contributions to be credited on the respective Conference Apportionments of the local church. The Board of Religious Education may make request of the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Conventions for funds, as heretofore, to assist in promoting the work of said Board.

9. That all funds contributed to designated agencies, including individual contributions, shall be paid to the Treasurer of said agency, and a report made by such agency to the Treasurer of the Convention, and also to the Secretaries of the various churches within the bounds of the Convention thirty days before the meeting of the annual Conference of which the church may be a member, to make it possible for due credit to appear in the Conference records.

10. That all monies raised by churches, missionary Societies, Sunday Schools, Christian Endeavor Societies and all other Societies of the several Churches of the several Conferences for any of the above mentioned agencies of the church, shall be included in the annual reports of the churches to their respective Conferences, and tabulated by the Secretary of each Conference for record in the Statistical Table.

11. That all Convention Funds raised by the churches for the several Conferences for Convention purposes, shall be forwarded to the Treasurer of the Convention, and paid out by checks drawn by the Treasurer, upon the order of the President.

12. That in making remittances to the Treasurer of the Convention, the amount contributed, the Fund for which it is designated, and the name of the Church or Conference to be credited, shall be clearly stated.

13. That two-fifths of the Convention Fund shall be forwarded to the General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches.

14. That the Executive Board be authorized to borrow a sufficient sum, not exceeding \$2,000.00, to cover the present overdraft of \$466.39 in the Convention Fund, and to pay any balance due from the Convention Fund to the Central Publishing Company, on the contract for printing *The Christian Sun* to July 1st, pledging a prior claim on the 1936 Conference payments to the Convention Fund as collateral for a note on this account to be executed by the President and Treasurer of the Convention.

15. That hereafter no overdrafts be made on any of the Funds of the Convention in the hands of the Treasurer.

16. That the words "for each year" in item No. 3, page 26, of the Report of the Committee on Finance, adopted by the 1934 session of the Convention be understood as applying to the contract period July 1, 1934-July 1, 1936.

17. That item No. 2, page 34 (addenda) 1934 session be understood to apply to the plan of making and distributing the Conference Apportionments for the year 1934.

18. That the goals of the Christian Orphanage and the Woman's Missionary Convention be recognized by the churches as a part of the Convention goals on the basis of their respective apportionments to the Conferences and to the churches, and that they be carried in the statistical tables of the Conferences and included in the total missionary and benevolent giving of the Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

I. W. JOHNSON,
V. R. HOLT,
J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
L. E. SMITH,

Committee.

Chaplain H. E. Rountree, U. S. N., and his wife, were presented to the Convention and responded with appropriate remarks and the singing of two songs, "The Arrow Song" and "A Prayer."

Report of the Committee on Publications was read by Dr. N. G. Newman, Chairman. It was moved that the report be considered by items.

Report of Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Editor of *The Christian Sun*, read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF EDITOR OF THE CHRISTIAN SUN

The Convention two years ago elected as editor of *The Sun*, J. O. Atkinson; associate editor, Dr. E. C. Gillette; contributing editors; Dr. I. W. Johnson and Dr. Elisha A. King. In addition to this list, Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Norfolk, Va., has supplied each week the "Sunday School Lesson"; Rev. F. C. Lester, Norfolk, Va., the "Youth Fellowship" page; Chaplain H. E. Rountree, U. S. N., the "Family Altar" page; Rev. John G. Truitt, D. D., Suffolk, Va., "The Sun's Pulpit," and Supt. Chas. D. Johnston, the "Christian Orphanage" column. These associates have shown the utmost spirit of cooperation in the work of supplying copy for *The Sun*, and the results have been gratifying and constructive to our fellowship. It has been a real pleasure to be associated with this staff. We have sought, through the efforts of these associates and through those who have contributed to *The Sun*, to keep our readers advised of the work of the institutions and churches within the bounds, not only of the Southern Convention but of the Convention of the Southeast, and more recently to the entire fellowship through the contributions weekly of Mr. Herbert D. Rugg, publicity secretary of our General Council.

The Central Publishing Co., John T. Kernodle, Manager, has certainly been faithful in bringing the paper out on time each week for 51 weeks of the year and has given a paper, which, in mechanical make-up and appearance, is most highly commendable.

Some weeks since your editor notified the Committee on Nominations that he would not be subject to re-election as editor, expressing the hope as well as the conviction that the time had come for another and a more capable hand to take up this work. Your present editor has served in this capacity in all a per-

iod of 28 years. He was elected editor at the Franklin, Va., Convention in 1900 and began his work in this capacity on May 15 of that year. He served continuously for a period of 16 years, resigning at the Convention which met in Burlington, May 2, 1916. During this period of 16 years he carried the editorship and publication of *The Sun* without cost to the Convention or charges on the Convention for his services. On the death of the former editor, Dr. J. P. Barrett, viz:—May, 1924, he was elected as editor without salary and has served for twelve consecutive years without cost or charges to the Convention. And now I know no words more fitting than those I gave to the Convention, assembled here in Burlington in 1916, and so I quote from the words accompanying my resignation at that time:

"In conclusion I cannot refrain from adding a personal word. For eight consecutive terms, a period of sixteen years" (and now I add six more consecutive terms, a period of twelve years, and now I again quote) "you have graciously favored and highly honored me in re-electing me as your editor. This continued mark of confidence and esteem on your part is appreciated beyond all measure, and I am grateful beyond words, though I have all the while been sensible of the fact that I neither merited nor was worthy of such high approval and brotherly love. My sense of gratitude is the more marked on this account. I thank you, my brethren and beloved, for your constant generosity to me during all the years of my service as editor." (That ends the quotation.)

I assure you that my successor, whoever he is, shall have my heartiest co-operation and continued loyalty, and while I am blessed with health, it will be a privilege, as well as a joy, to make such contribution to the columns of *The Sun* as may be within my power. While I have not been rewarded financially for the services rendered, since none was promised, desired or expected, the rewards of a wide acquaintance and a deep fellowship and the consciousness of duty done for my church and the kingdom have sufficiently compensated and more than rewarded me for any or all efforts I have put forth as your editor.

J. O. ATKINSON,

Editor.

Report of J. T. Kernodle, Managing Editor of *The Christian Sun*, read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF J. T. KERNODLE, MANAGING EDITOR.

At the Convention in Suffolk, Virginia, in 1922, the then editor of *The Christian Sun* reported that he thought the continued publication of the paper impossible, and it was suggested that its subscription list be turned over to *The Herald of Gospel Liberty* on such terms as could be made with that paper. Since that time we have seen the merger or probably more correctly, the discontinuance of that periodical, its list having been turned over to the *Congregationist*, later *Advance*, and *Advance* has in turn become a monthly periodical, making *The Christian Sun* the only weekly of the combined constituency of the Congregational and Christian Churches.

At the Suffolk Convention, the printing of *The Sun* was accepted on a bonus proposition similar to that under which it has been operating for the past four years, and by the firm with which your managing editor is connected. The contract made at that time, the Annual will show, was renewed with changes for several years, and the mailing list of *The Sun* was built up to nearly three thousand.

It was then decided by the Convention that it would be to its advantage to pay a straight sum for the publishing of the paper, and the contract was so changed. For the first and possibly the second year the Convention enjoyed the financial benefit of the subscription list that had been built up by the then managing editor, but when the Convention met in this city four years ago, the payments on subscriptions had fallen off so that the Chairman of the Publication

Board thought it impossible to continue longer the arrangement obtaining at this time.

A proposition was made by the present managing editor to the Publishing Board, and as a counter proposition, the agreement under which *The Sun* has been published was made. However, one of the stipulations of the agreement was that settlements under the agreement were to be made promptly. Through possibly no fault of its own, the Convention has failed in its financial agreements, and in addition to his other duties it has devolved upon the managing editor to finance the paper from time to time. The Convention has at times given notes for part of its arrearages, but in order to make these notes negotiable, individual endorsement has been necessary. The managing editor has found no one else willing to do this and has been under the necessity to endorse them himself.

During the three and one-half years, up to January 1st, the approximate cost of publishing *The Sun* amounted to \$24,653.00. During the same period the amount received for publishing was \$20,086.20, less commissions paid ministers, missionary societies, etc., of \$472.66. This leaves a loss of \$5,039.47 for the three and one-half year period. This loss has, of course, been borne by the publisher alone. Eight hundred additional paid subscriptions would have wiped out this loss, and any over that number would have enabled the publisher to reduce his costs to the Convention. This would have been an increase of less than one subscriber for each fifty members of our Southeast constituency.

We have reported to the Board of Publications that, however willing we might be, we could not continue to assume the loss which we have incurred to the present. But we have submitted to that Board a proposition, which, if the constituency, especially the officers of the Convention, the Board of Publications, and the ministry would give a reasonable support, would reduce the cost to the Convention to less than \$2,500.00, for a subscription list of 2,500; and would place *The Sun* on a self-sustaining basis at a point something under 5,000 subscriptions.

At the writing of this report, we have received no advice from the Board.

We submit this report to this Convention with the hope that whatever action regarding *The-Sun* may be taken by the Board of Publication, that the efforts of the undersigned during the past fourteen years that he has been connected with its publication will not have been in vain, and that it may continue and increase its usefulness to the Convention which established it and has fostered it.

J. T. KERNODLE,
Managing Editor

It was moved that the report of the Board of Publications be amended, and the price of subscription to *The Christian Sun* continue at \$2.00 per year.

Report of Board of Publications adopted.

Worship period conducted by Dr. John G. Truitt. Theme, "Building the Church."

Convention adjourned for lunch.

Benediction by Dr. John G. Truitt.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention met and called to order at 2 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. W. T. Scott.

The report of the Board of the Christian Orphanage was read by Mr. Vitus Holt.

Pending the adoption of the report, a program of songs was presented by a group of the Orphanage children.

Address, Mr. Joseph B. Johnston, superintendent Barium Springs Orphanage, N. C.

Report on Orphanage adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE ORPHANAGE

January 1, 1934, to December 31, 1935.

The Christian Orphanage, in ministering to the fatherless and motherless in its care during the last biennium, has tried to minister in the name of Him who said, "Suffer the little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for such is the kingdom of heaven." When worthy appeals have been made to the orphanage to give food and shelter to an orphan child that was in real need and the orphanage had room and funds to support it, the orphanage has, in a spirit of love, tried to minister to the helpless child. No one left more helpless than a child where death has claimed father and mother and left it homeless. Nothing offers a greater opportunity for real Christ-like service than the chance to minister to one of His little ones through the orphanage.

The year 1934 passed with its activities. We had no serious sickness, and out of the entire group of children, we had thirty sick for one or more days and had 285 sick days for the entire group. We gave for that year 31,171 days of care.

The year 1935 had its misfortunes as well as its blessings. In the month of January the building known as the Boone House was destroyed by fire, but fortunately it was very well covered with insurance. The insurance money was used in buying four acres of land adjoining our campus and a very nice six-room cottage on it which is now occupied by the orphanage farmer.

The last of June after all the spring crop of hay had been stored and the wheat and oat straw had been baled and stored, the barn, with the entire contents, four mules, and one cow was destroyed by fire. We are happy to say that the barn and contents were partially covered with insurance, but at first it seemed to be a great misfortune and quite a loss. We collected the insurance in full and the churches and friends came to our rescue and sent us sufficient contributions to enable us to rebuild our barn and to replace our mules and harness. The Board thought it wise to build the mule stables some distance from the barn where the danger from fire would be greatly reduced. This was done. Our good friend, Mr. J. M. Darden, furnished us all the rough lumber for the barn and mule stables amounting to \$500.00 in value. The buildings have been replaced and the orphanage is in fine shape.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Carlton made it possible for the orphanage to buy two acres of land which lie in front of the Johnston Hall. These two acres are quite an addition to our campus. This gives us the land on both sides of the street clear out to the buildings along the railroad.

The greatest loss during the year 1935 was the loss by death of one of our little girls, Ellena Morgan, who was just seven years of age. Many will remember her as the smallest child in the Singing Class, and the little solo she sang, "I Want to be a Little Helper," will linger long in the hearts of our people.

We gave 31,935 days of care during 1935 and had only 13 sick children and only 100 days of sickness for the entire group.

The Orphanage farm has been improved from year to year and the land is

now becoming more productive. The yield of grain and other crops show quite an increase over former years.

The dairy department has been built up until it furnishes sufficient milk for the children and some to spare. The hay and most of the grain, with silage used to feed the cattle, are produced on the farm.

We do our best to produce our meat, milk, and bread on our own farm, but of course, it takes money to farm.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Income for 1934	\$19,715.00
Income for 1935	20,140.04
Amount brought forward January 1, 1934	7,535.02
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	\$47,390.06
Expense for 1934	\$18,230.49
Expense for 1935	19,035.79
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	37,284.28
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Balance	\$10,105.78
Less amount charged off; tied up in bank	144.04
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Correct balance	\$ 9,961.74

We want to say in conclusion that the United Congregational-Christian Church has an opportunity to do a much larger service with its united strength in ministering to the orphan children within its borders than the orphanage has been able to do with its limited amount of support in the past. To measure up with other institutions of like kind in North Carolina, the Christian Orphanage ought to care for at least 150 children.

Very respectfully submitted,

VITUS R. HOLT, *Vice Ch'mn,*
Board of Trustees.

The report of the Mission Board was read by Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mission Secretary.

Address, "Some Church History," by Colonel J. E. West.

Report discussed by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Address by Dr. E. C. Gillette.

Report on Missions adopted as follows:

REPORT OF MISSION BOARD

Since our report, closing April 1, 1934, we have collected, through our secretary, and turned over to the treasurer of the Mission Board, the following:

April 1, 1934, to April 1, 1935.

From Sunday Schools	\$ 3,315.31
From Individuals and Churches	2,502.55
From Specials	1,094.16
From Woman's Board, S. C. C.	8,530.16
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	\$ 15,442.18

April 1, 1935, to April 1, 1936.

From Sunday Schools	\$ 2,804.36
From Individuals and Churches	3,236.26
From Specials	1,525.01
From Woman's Board, S. C. C.	8,313.53
From Conference Collections	2,291.53
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	\$ 18,170.69

Total Receipts\$ 33,612.87

DISBURSEMENTS

The fiscal year for appropriations and disbursements of the Board are from October 1, as our annual sessions are held about September 15.

The appropriations from October 1, 1934, to October 1, 1935, were as follows:

Winston-Salem, N. C.	\$ 1,067.00
Mountain Work (Carroll County, Va.)	1,125.00
Raleigh, N. C.	1,254.00
Newport News, Va.	450.00
South Norfolk, Va.	3,380.71
Ocean View, Va.	615.00
Rosemount Church (Obligations)	500.00
Hopewell, Va.	50.00
The Christian Sun	350.00
Woman's Board, S. C. C. interest on notes	60.00
Rev. T. E. White, service in W. N. C. Conference	40.00
Pleasant Union Church (W. N. C. Conference) ..	50.00
Biscoe, N. C. (W. N. C. Conference)	85.00
Flint Hill Church (W. N. C. Conference)	20.00
Antioch (R) Church (W. N. C. Conference)	25.00

Total\$ 9,071.71

Appropriations voted for the present year, now in course of payment, are:

Mountain Work (Carroll County, Va.)	\$ 900.00
Winston-Salem, N. C.	1,050.00
Ocean View, Va.	600.00
Richmond, Va.	900.00
Cypress Chapel, Va. (Obligation)	500.00
Hopewell, Va.	60.00

Total\$ 4,010.00

(All balance of income to apply on loans.)

Paid on the above to April 1, 1936:

Mountain Work (Carroll County, Va.)	710.00
Winston-Salem, N. C.	645.00
Ocean View, Va.	300.00
Raleigh, N. C.	398.00
Cypress Chapel, (Paid Obligation)	500.00
Richmond, Va.	300.00
The Christian Sun	150.00
Bennett Church (W. N. C. Conference)	42.76
On notes	432.00

Total\$ 3,477.76

Our disbursements to Foreign Missions (including Puerto Rico) through the American Board of Commissioners, April 1, 1934, to April 1, 1935, were\$ 5,805.93
 From April 1, 1935, to April 1, 1936\$ 6,567.69

In addition to the above, we have received and have now transmitted since April 1, 1936, to Foreign Missions\$ 1,325.00

Our Foreign work administered by the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, on which we have representatives, this being the oldest Mission Board in America and now in its 125th year. This Board has suffered severely in its income and in its ability to employ and keep the work going for the past two years.

Our report two years ago showed that the Board had 622 missionaries on the field, but the report for the present year shows only 494 missionaries in active service; and, whereas, we reported two years ago, 6,520 native workers, the report for this year shows 6,033 native workers. There was an increase during the past two years in the number of native churches from 740 to 765 and an increase in membership from 102,769 to 104,162. Sunday schools have increased from 1,253 to 1,303, with an increase in pupils of about 10,000. The natives in our foreign fields raised the past year \$927,178.00 for the support of the churches and mission work. Our missionaries were at work in India, China, Japan, Africa, Turkey, the Philippines, Bulgaria, Ceylon, Micronesia, Mexico. Our Puerto Rico work is an integral part of Home Missions.

OUR MOUNTAIN WORK

During the past two years Rev. and Mrs. R. T. Grissom have been in charge of our work in Carroll County, Va., and under their faithful and efficient leadership the work has been maintained and shows growth. We have two organized churches—Elk Spur, with 66 members, and Rocky Ford, with 64 members, each with a well-organized Sunday School, the former with 72 pupils, the latter with 116 pupils. These two churches are this year pledged to pay on the support of their pastor, \$120.00 on salary. We have also opened a preaching place and organized a Sunday school at Ivy Hill—six miles from Elk Spur. Preaching is maintained and a Sunday school conducted in a school-house, most of the pupils in this school never having attended a Sunday school before. It is a section that needs the Christian gospel and Christian Education and seems to give good promise for a permanent organization.

MEETING OBLIGATIONS

Paying obligations previously made are never as inspiring as initiating new work and opening up new fields of service. It has fallen on your Board to stand by churches that had obligations to which pledges in previous years had been made, that these churches might be kept open and going. This was as essential and as constructive as new undertakings are, but not as appealing. Your Board has sought to exercise all discretion and wisdom it could command in discharging our obligations, laboring always with the thought in view of sustaining and building up the kingdom of our Lord as the same was entrusted to us. We appreciate the loyalty which some of our Sunday schools and many of our churches, and our Missionary Societies, have manifested in these trying times, for only through such loyalty and their liberality were we able to meet, even to the extent we have done, our obligations and to carry on the work entrusted to us.

Owing to conditions that no one could anticipate, appeal and necessity came to us from our Richmond Church, and it seemed absolutely essential, for this year, at least, for your Board to assist in the current expense of the church, if the church was to be kept opened and going.

A most encouraging sign in our work is that during the biennium several of our church burdened with building debts have been able to materially reduce the

same, and some of these churches to whom your Board was pledged have generously suggested compromise for the sake of immediate payments, which, in every instance, we have been glad to meet and to discharge. We have had to face difficulties and problems during the biennium, which we have earnestly sought to meet, and we feel that the church, in a measure, at least, recognizes these facts, since the actual income to the Board the past two years shows an increase of \$1,337.30 over that of the previous biennium.

We realize fully that through Missions we are trying to exalt the name of our Lord and to give Him a chance at saving the lives and souls of those who are less favored with the gospel than we ourselves are.

We sincerely trust that before the present year closes we will be able to give encouragement to points that need and are calling for our help, since we believe that our united fellowship has a real mission and a real message for the world. The church lives by growing, and we grow by adding new congregations and organizations, and to these the Board looks, because from these, new assets are added to every enterprise and institution of the church. Only as the mission work can add new congregations to our roster of churches, can the various benevolent enterprises of the church have new and added fields for their appeal and service.

It may be added that our Church Extension Board, headquarters, New York, Dr. Ernest M. Halliday, Secretary, is now thoroughly identified in its work within the bounds of our Convention, and the money they appropriate to the churches come through and is administered by our Board. In this way, and from this source, we are now helping and have on our list Asheville Church; Albermarle Church; Sophia Pastorate; Niagara Church; Winston-Salem Church; all in North Carolina, and Circular Church, Charleston, S. C. It may be added for information that all the former Congregational Churches in the Carolinas are now members and constituent parts of the Conference of this Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. WEST, *Chairman*,

J. O. ATKINSON, *Secretary*.

NOTE: Present Board Members are: J. M. Darden, Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, K. B. Johnson, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Mrs. C. H. Rowland, J. A. Williams, Rev. A. W. Andes, Mrs. E. W. Boshart, Rev. Milo J. Sweet.

Report of the Woman's Missionary Convention was read by Mrs. W. R. Sellars, President, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONVENTION.

The Twelfth Biennial Session of our Woman's Missionary Convention was held on Tuesday, April 28th. We have come to the end of twenty-four years of loving service. We are profoundly grateful for the achievement of these years. Our women have found great joy in giving themselves to this great enterprise of the church. Jesus gave His followers the command and the plan. There may be discouragement and indifference in the church today, but in spite of all these the main issue of Christianity is the winning of human lives into the discipleship of Jesus, and that work called missions is going forward today. The plan has succeeded. We may fail, but His plan will succeed.

"The prospects are as bright as the promises of God." That is just as true today as when Judson said it years ago.

"He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seeds, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing bringing his sheaves with him."

Our Mission Secretary reported that our women have contributed more than \$170,000 to missions during these twenty-four years.

We are planning to celebrate our twenty-fifth anniversary next year.

We submit the following report:

Alabama Conference has withdrawn, but sent in:

1934-35	\$ 184.59
1935-36	50.00
Total	\$ 234.59

The Eastern Virginia Conference is divided into three districts, with a total membership of 2,111. Number of Societies: Women's, 27; Young Peoples', 22; Willing Workers, 19; Cradle Roll, 16. Amount Raised:

1934-35	\$ 4,116.30
1935-36	4,650.00
Total	\$ 8,766.30

Note.—These figures taken from Mrs. Hardcastle's report, but Mrs. Truitt reported that the amount raised was \$9,806.47.

The apportionment for the biennium, 1934-36, was \$10,200; that for the biennium, 1936-38, is \$10,600.

The North Carolina Conference is divided into seven districts. The President's roll shows, 68 Women's Societies, 14 Young People's Societies, 7 Willing Workers' Societies, and 13 Cradle Rolls. The Treasurer's roll gives 49 Women's Societies, 10 Young People's, 5 Willing Workers' and 9 Cradle Rolls. The amount raised was:

1934-35	\$ 3,427.11
1935-36	3,774.47
Total	\$ 7,201.58

Note.—These figures are from Mrs. Hardcastle's report. Mrs. Harrell reported the amount raised as \$7,278.99.

The apportionment for the biennium, 1934-36, was \$8,200, and for 1936-38, \$8,400.

The Virginia Valley Conference presented no report. The following figures found in the Treasurer's Report and the records:

1934-35	\$ 357.92
1935-36	293.69
Total	\$ 651.61

Apportionment for the biennium, 1934-36, \$1,000; for 1936-38, \$1,000.

Total apportionments, \$20,000; total amount raised, \$17,026.

Apportioned for biennium, 1936-38, \$20,000.

Officers were elected, subject to the approval of this body, as follows:

President, Mrs. John G. Truitt; Vice-President, Mrs. S. C. Harrell; Secretary, Mrs. C. M. Cannon; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. S. Rollings; Treasurer, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle. Superintendents: Young People's Work, Mrs. W. E. Wisseman; Cradle Roll, Mrs. B. D. Jones; Spiritual Life, Mrs. W. R. Sellars; Life Memberships and Memorials, Mrs. M. J. W. White; Literature, Mrs. Carl Key. Woman's Convention Editor, Mrs. W. M. Jay.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. R. SELLARS, *President*.

The Nominating Committee submitted a final report, which was adopted, subject to correction of list of delegates by President and Secretary. (See report.)

On motion, Convention adjourned till the evening session. Benediction by Rev. W. J. Andes.

THIRD DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Convention met and called to order at 8 o'clock.

Prayer led by Dr. George N. Edwards.

Special music, "Sanctus," by the choir.

Address on Missions by Dr. C. Rexford Raymond, Southern Pines, N. C.

Benediction by Rev. George N. Edwards.

FOURTH DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

Convention met and called to order at 9:30 o'clock.

Hymn, "How Marvelous."

Prayer by Rev. H. E. Crutchfield.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Report of Special Committee on Recommendations read by Dr. John G. Truitt, Chairman.

On motion, the report was considered by items. Item 3 was referred to the Mission Board for consideration.

The report was adopted as a whole as follows:

THE COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

We, your Committee on the President's Recommendations, beg leave to report as follows:

RESOLVED: 1. That the Mission Board, Board of Christian Education, The Trustees of Elon College, Trustees of the Orphanage, The Board of Publications, The Women's Mission Board and the Board of Superannuation hold their annual meeting simultaneously, in February, at Elon College and that at least one session be held jointly, at which time the problems of all boards be considered as a whole.

2. That the Board of Christian Education and the Mission Board if possible jointly employ on a half-time basis, a promotional secretary, and that this person be the editor of *The Christian Sun*.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee.

It was moved and carried that the report of the Board of Publications be reconsidered.

It was moved and carried that the report of the Board of Publications be referred to the Board of Publications, The Executive Board and the Editor-elect, with power to act.

The report of the Committee on Seminary Foundation was read by Dr. L. E. Smith, Chairman. On motion the committee was continued to carry out the recommendations which were adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SEMINARY FOUNDATION

Acting under the instruction of the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches, as provided by the action of the Convention at Suffolk, Virginia, in 1934, your Committee has sought during the past two years to ascertain how the churches of the Southeast might offer more adequate opportunities for the theological education of our prospective ministers beyond that of college grade. Our first course was to consider whether or not it might be possible to re-locate the Atlantic Seminary Foundation, which is at present associated with Vanderbilt University. After careful consideration, the Board of Trustees of the Foundation reported through its President, Dr. Campbell, that a relocation of the Foundation was not felt to be advisable. Not wishing to jeopardize the work of the Foundation, your Committee naturally did not press this matter further.

While wishing the Foundation at Vanderbilt the highest success in its ministry, your Committee is nevertheless of the conviction that the churches of the Southern Convention must find a theological center more easily available to young men in this region who wish to carry on their theological education. This center, your Committee feels, is logically at Duke University. The bulk of the churches east of the Mississippi lies in Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and Virginia. The main strength, financially, is also here. The largest contributions to the work of the church both locally and nationally are made by churches of this region. The largest number of young men entering the ministry come out of this territory. To locate our center of higher educational service at the edge of this region, rather than at its center, is contrary to the strategy of any other section of Congregational and Christian Churches. Moreover, this policy will in the long run weaken our service to this part of the nation. Your Committee is unwilling to see this happen.

Duke University, by action of the Board of Trustees, offers through its School of Religion equal educational opportunities to prospective ministers of all denominations. Its Faculty is drawn from the leading denominations of the nation, and increasingly, young men of all communions seek training here. Duke University's resources, both financial and cultural warrant your Committee in feeling that this Institution has a future unsurpassed by any other University of the South. Already its student body including all fields of learning, is drawn in about equal proportions from all parts of the United States, thus providing a student fellowship that tends to modify provincialism of every section in terms of a constructive outlook. In this atmosphere our young ministerial students will be stimulated to genuinely creative thinking, and be thereby better equipped for broad Christian leadership.

Your Committee recommends that this Convention designate Duke University as its official center in which to develop, in cooperation with the officials of the University, the fullest resources for first rate equipment in the field of theological education. We further recommend that this Committee or some appropriate body be authorized to take such steps as look in this direction and to guide this enterprise through the next biennium.

L. E. SMITH,
H. SHELTON SMITH,
J. O. ATKINSON,
Committee.

Report of the Committee on Temperance was read by Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, Chairman, and on motion adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

As it is with every great issue now before us as a people and a Church, that of temperance is involved in confusion. For many, temperance spells prohibition, and for this reason any consideration of or recommendations pertaining to temperance by us must include as a major factor prohibition of the sale and use of alcoholic beverages.

As to prohibition as a national issue our people have recently spoken, and one would be sanguine indeed to presume that the question can be made of moment in this 1936 election. In states, counties and smaller political solutions should and must be confined to them.

The states served by our Convention have not been agreed as to the course to pursue in this matter. Virginia has Alcoholic Beverage Control while North and South Carolina have state systems of prohibition. But in North Carolina, despite the vote to sustain prohibition, several eastern counties have by legislative enactment Alcoholic Beverage Control similar to the system in effect in Virginia. Here is a situation which, to say the least, needs clarification.

It is thought of the Committee local option as to villages, towns, townships, counties and states is the immediate approach to the question and problem as a political issue.

Temperance as a moral and spiritual issue presents the Church a large and strategic as well as vital field of endeavor. Prohibition will not create temperance; but temperance prevailing could affect prohibition. However, when the Church considers the matter of temperance it finds itself confronted by other issues than that of the use and sale of alcoholic beverages. And each of these issues has its place and its importance.

The temper of our people at present is such that temperance is not held in high regard. With the passing of former inhibitions, the lifting of the pall of the depression and the increase of leisure, our people have become carefree and also conscience-free. Moral laxity and religious confusion have been natural consequences. In the matter of use of alcoholic beverages this trend has created new and critical situations. The moderation promised by the repealists has not been realized. The fact of moderation is debatable, and altogether different and tragic aspects of the problem have arisen. As a large sector of our womanhood took up and became habitual users of tobacco; women are now taking up drinking. This is quoted from Harper's Magazine, not for its extreme language but because it finds place in such a publication. "There are parties where women drink to relieve their sex inhibitions. I have witnessed ladies who became frankly and embarrassingly loose—and others who became sultry. Certainly a new social order has come in with women drinking, and it is one singularly ill adapted to the modern home." Of course it follows the effect of this attitude and practice upon our young people and children is embarrassing when not tragic. To meet this situation the Church faces a great educational task, and it is here your Committee would put the emphasis and make its plea. In this extremity let us not be found wanting.

We would recommend to our constituency and our churches:

1. Total abstinence as the safest policy to pursue personally.
2. Refusal to support politically those candidates who have and who do play fast and loose with the prohibition issue.
3. A study of local conditions and situations, and the publishing of the results of these studies in the *The Christian Sun* through the medium of the local Church and Conference reporters.

4. A sane and intelligent presentation of the alcoholic beverage problem in our Churches and Sunday Schools, and wherever possible,—thus revealing the moral and physical effects of its use.

5. The use in study groups, especially among high-school students and young people, of Sidney A. Wetson's, "To Drink or not to Drink."

6. That drunkenness should be presented as a personal and a social sin.

J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
J. E. WEST, by J. H. L.
ROBERT LEE HOUSE,
S. M. PENN,
LUTHER CARLTON,
J. W. MANNING,

Committee.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary be authorized to convey the sympathy of the Convention to the family of the late Judge W. H. Carroll.

Report of the Committee on Revision of the book, "Principles and Government of the Christian Church," was read by Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Chairman. Report was adopted as follows, with the recommendation that the committee be continued:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REVISION.

The General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches, in its biennial session two years ago, recommended a revision of the Manual for Congregational-Christian Churches throughout the United States and our fellowship generally. Your committee on revising the "Principles and Government of our Southern Convention has, through its chairman, worked with Dr. Chas. E. Burton, secretary of the General Council, who is charged with the work of revising the Manual for the General Council, and furnished Dr. Burton for his use a copy of our Manual and such other information and suggestions as seemed feasible. The Manual for the Congregational-Christian Churches is now in proof form and is under-going corrections in the proof for the printing of the volume at an early date. This Manual will be a book of 281 pages and will, in all probability, be sold at a price not less than \$1.25 possibly \$2.00, a volume. The chairman of your committee has recently read with interest the proof of this book and, in addition to making suggestions as to some minor changes, finds that the general Manual will be quite adaptable to our united fellowship and will not seriously conflict with the prevailing customs, principles and government of our churches and Conferences in the Southern Convention.

In the light of the facts, your committee recommends:

1st. That our "Principles and Government," as revised and printed in 1922, be printed and offered for sale at a cost not to exceed 50 cents the copy. However this re-print should have only certain technical changes, mainly in terminology, especially as the book will relate itself now to our united fellowship in the Convention—the book now bearing the name of "Principles and Government of the Christian Church" to bear the title of "Principles and Government of Congregational-Christian Churches," with official forms and ceremonies for the churches of the conferences composing the Southern Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches.

2nd. That we follow the customs and principles as stated in this book in our local affairs, in so far as they do not legally, or otherwise, conflict with the larger and more general Manual; these customs to obtain as at present, as, for instance, the licensure and ordination of ministers by the local confer-

ences, since these customs seem to work well and be approved by our fellowship generally.

3rd. That the right to print such a book be given to the publishers of *The Christian Sun*, or to a person or publishing company, approved by your Committee on Publications, the same to be printed without charge to this Convention—the person or company printing the book to have the privilege of sale in order to repay the cost of printing and distribution.

The opinion of your committee is that such a book will pay for itself and will be widely used, since it is much in demand and very many will use this book at 50 cents who will not buy the larger Manual, which, because of its size, must of necessity be sold at a greater price than the smaller book.

J. O. ATKINSON, *Chairman*,

I. W. JOHNSON,

Committee.

Report of the Committee on Memoirs was read by Dr. N. G. Newman, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

There have been two deaths in our ministerial ranks during the biennium: Rev. A. K. Scotten of the Western North Carolina Conference, and Rev. J. N. Cutchin of the Eastern Virginia Conference. We note with regret their passing from us, and record our appreciation of their lives. We ask that the Convention stand in a few moments of silence closed with prayer by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

N. G. NEWMAN, *Chairman*,

Committee.

Prayer led by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Report of the Custodian of the Ministerial Loan Fund read by Dr. L. E. Smith and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF MINISTERIAL LOAN FUND AT ELON COLLEGE.

AS OF APRIL 29, 1936.

The total amount of the Southern Convention Ministerial Loan Fund amounts to \$13,033.95, of which \$11,349.72 is now out to former students in loans, leaving a balance of \$1,684.23 in the fund. The money in this fund has been turned in to the college, and the college has loaned it out to students upon the recommendation of the committee of the conference or convention.

The student signs a note for the amount received. These notes are written so that they fall due three years after the student has graduated or has left college for the last time. This means that a freshman borrowing money from the Ministerial Loan Fund and going through the four years of college would have the use of this money for seven years without interest. There is no interest on the note from the time it is made until the time it becomes due. However, there is interest from the time the note becomes due until the time it is paid.

This money is supposed to be used for college expenses of students at Elon or in seminary. The majority of it has been used at Elon, but some few loans have been made for seminary work.

Payments on these loans have been very disappointing. Since the time the fund was started, there have been 42 different borrowers, out of which number only four have repaid their loan in full. Eight have made partial payments, leaving 30 who have not made any payment at all.

Appended to this report is a list of borrowers, with the amounts loaned.

J. H. ROUNTREE,

Acting Business Manager.

LOANS TO MINISTERS FROM CONVENTION MINISTERIAL LOAN FUND.

Maker and Endorser	Due Date	Amount Loan	Amount Paid	Amount Due
W. H. Brewer, M. J. Holman	1927	\$ 100.00	.....	\$ 100.00
E. M. Carter, J. H. Dollar	1928	150.00	\$ 25.00	125.00
G. C. Crutchfield, W. W. Crutchfield ..	1927	900.00	.....	900.00
H. E. Crutchfield, W. W. Crutchfield ..	1929	250.00	200.00	50.00
J. Carl Dollar, J. D. Dollar	1933	500.00	.....	500.00
Jesse H. Dollar C. M. Dollar	1928	875.00	.....	875.00
Hamilton J. Fleming	1920	270.00	40.00	230.00
J. U. Fogleman, C. R. Fogleman	1929	200.00	26.11	173.89
Joe French, J. R. French and Mrs. J. H. McCormick	1931	400.00	.....	400.00
W. B. Fuller, L. E. Johnson	1926	125.00	.....	125.00
H. T. Gray, E. O. Gray	1926	100.00	.....	100.00
R. T. Grissom, M. L. Grissom	1935	270.00	.....	270.00
H. C. Hilliard, W. A. Hilliard	1934	400.00	.....	400.00
W. J. B. Hines, H. C. Evans	1928	125.00	.....	125.00
A. H. Hook, N. F. Brannock	1927	600.00	500.00	100.00
G. S. Hunt, G. D. Hunt	1931	200.00	.....	200.00
J. L. Kernodle	1927	203.68	.....	203.68
Carl R. Key, J. R. Key	1935	100.00	.....	100.00
J. V. Knight, J. M. Welch	1928	175.00	.....	175.00
S. D. Lankford, J. W. & G. O. Lankford	1927	250.00	.....	175.00
Miss Siddle Latham, E. W. McCormick	1926	100.00	.....	100.00
S. M. Lynam, Durell M. Estes, G. H. Lynam	1927	700.00	.....	700.00
S. E. Madren, E. F. Lowe, Mrs. Martha Madren, C. E. Kernodle	1932	600.00	.....	600.00
J. E. McCauley, H. D. Lambeth	1924	225.00	.....	225.00
M. A. Pollard, G. D. Hunt, D. T. Pollard	1926	600.00	.....	600.00
C. B. Riddle	1919	225.00	.....	255.00
H. G. Robertson, W. T. Dunn, Mrs. M. W. Robertson	1932	499.00	.....	400.00
W. T. Scott, S. D. Scott, G. O. Lankford	1927	700.00	.....	700.00
D. W. Shepherd, J. R. Shepherd	1932	207.15	.....	207.15
D. M. Spence, W. M. & G. B. Spence ..	1930	300.00	100.00	200.00
W. B. Terrell, D. R. Fonville	1928	450.00	.....	450.00
Gardner D. Underhill, G. R. Underhill .	1932	200.00	.....	200.00
I. T. Underwood	1920	140.00	15.00	125.00
G. H. Veazey, G. D. Hunt	1931	450.00	.....	450.00
W. L. Wells (deceased) .....	....	310.00	.....	310.00
R. A. Whitten, Jr., R. A. Whitten	1938	250.00	.....	250.00
Sam B. Wilson, Mrs. S. R. Wilson	1934	150.00	.....	150.00
L. L. Wyrick	1921	75.00	50.00	25.00

Borrowed, \$12,305.83; paid back, \$956.11; still unpaid, \$11,349.72.

Report of Committee on Social Relations read by Dr. Shelton Smith.
Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL RELATIONS.

Congregational and Christian Churches have always concerned themselves to some extent with the social application of the Christian gospel. But the precarious condition of the present world-order compels much greater vigilance in this sphere. The gospel of Christ is the gospel for the whole of life, or it

is the gospel for none of it. Moreover, no individual gospel is adequate for our generation that does not concern itself with the most crucial relations within which persons achieve Christian character. Approached from this standpoint, it is clear that the church is compelled to share in social reconstruction, or else suffer loss of Christian vitality.

The Social Ideals of the Churches.—Ever since 1908, the major Protestant churches in America have supported a platform of social ideals, popularly called a social creed, as adopted through the Federal Council of Churches. In revised form, these ideals were re-adopted by the Council in 1932. Your Committee recommends that this statement be adopted as the basis of study and for Christian social action on the part of the Congregational and Christian churches of the South. These Ideals, in revised form, are as follows:

The Churches Should Stand For:

1. Practical application of the Christian principle of social well-being to the acquisition and use of wealth, subordination of speculation and the profit motive to the creative and cooperative spirit.
2. Social planning and control of the credit and monetary systems and the economic processes for the common good.
3. The right of all to the opportunity for self-maintenance; a wider and fairer distribution of wealth; a living wage, as a minimum, and above this a just share for the worker in the product of industry and agriculture.
4. Safeguarding of all workers, urban and rural, against harmful conditions of labor and occupational injury and disease.
5. Social insurance against sickness, accident, want in old age and unemployment.
6. Reduction of the hours of labor as the general productivity of industry increases; release from employment at least one day in seven, with a shorter working week in prospect.
7. Such special regulation of the conditions of work of women as shall safeguard their welfare and that of the family and the community.
8. The right of employees and employers alike to organize for collective bargaining and social action; protection of both in the exercise of this right; the obligation of both to work for the public good; encouragement of cooperatives and other organizations among farmers and other groups.
9. Abolition of child labor; adequate provision for the protection, education, spiritual nurture and wholesome recreation of every child.
10. Protection of the family by the single standard of purity; educational preparation for marriage, home-making and parenthood.
11. Economic justice for the farmer in legislation, financing, transportation and the price of farm products as compared with the cost of machinery and other commodities which he must buy.
12. Extension of the primary cultural opportunities and social services now enjoyed by urban populations to the farm family.
13. Protection of the individual and society from the social, economic and moral waste of any traffic in intoxicants and habit forming drugs.
14. Application of the Christian principle of redemption to the treatment of offenders; reform of penal and correctional methods and institutions, and of criminal court procedure.
15. Justice, opportunity and equal rights for all; mutual goodwill and cooperation among racial, economic and religious groups.

16. Repudiation of war, drastic reduction of armaments, participation in international agencies for the peaceable settlement of all controversies; the building of a cooperative world order.

17. Recognition and maintenance of the rights and responsibilities of free speech, free assembly, and a free press; the encouragement of free communication of mind with mind as essential to the discovery of truth.

Items for Special Emphasis during the Next Biennium.—Although every item of the foregoing platform is important, certain ones are of imperative concern to the churches at this stage of our social scene, notably the following.

1. *Peace Action.* War is not only a present reality, but it threatens to spread to the dimensions of another world-war, with consequences infinitely worse than those of the war of 1914-1918. Europe is an armed camp that may burst into violent conflict at any moment. Should war embroil Europe, the United States will be sought as an ally by both sides. Economically interwoven as we are with European powers, the United States will find it extremely difficult to remain neutral to military operations, to say nothing of other forms of neutrality. Only with the greatest economic sacrifice can we hope to avoid involvement. The present Emergency Peace Campaign is an effort to awaken the people of this nation to the threat of war, and to create among us the will to sacrificial peace. If the churches really believe in peace, let them say so by united peace action that is convincing.

2. *Race Relations.* In many centers of the world racialism is the basis of human tension and conflict. If racialism is finding bitter expression in Hitler's Germany, it is also a source of friction elsewhere, even in our own America. In times of economic strain factors of race are especially disturbing to the peace. It is not surprising, therefore, that the years of dispression have seen here in the South a recrudescence of racial antipathy, resulting in an increased amount of lynching. It is a time in which the churches of the South should give more thought to the underlying factors of racial disturbance, and seek to remove them in every possible way.

3. *Civil Liberties.* One of the most disquieting features of our present social scene is the way in which ordinary civil liberties, as guaranteed by the Constitution, are being arrested by the drift of economic and political circumstances. In some twenty states, we are told, legislatures have been asked to enact Teachers' Oath Laws. Historic Massachusetts is an example of what can happen to human liberties. Such Democracy as we now enjoy can be preserved, and can be the instrument or orderly social change, only if our constitutional guarantees of free speech, free press, and assembly are maintained. Once civil liberties are lost in the political and economic sphere, the churches will not long enjoy their historic liberties in the sphere of religion. For confirmation of this, we may examine the religious situation in certain areas of Europe.

4. *The Liquor Problem.* Since the collapse of the 18th Amendment, the churches have bewildered in the midst of the growing ravages of drink. No issue reveals more clearly the moral impotence of American purposes, the ultimate solution of the drink evil lies in the realm of moral regeneration. "The letter killeth, the Spirit maketh alive." If the church believes in a personal gospel, then here is one test of its redemptive power. Failing to make men morally temperate, we must acknowledge that our gospel has no message with which to rout the saloon.

This is no time to indulge in band-wagon campaigns. Rather let us re-examine the problem of drink in its deeper nature, noting its fundamental causes, investigating the groups who indulge in drink (including church members) and experimenting with spiritual processes with a view to developing a more con-

structive approach to liquor abolition. A real church of God will seize this moment in which to discover a strategy by which to rout this social curse of men. But let it be re-emphasized, the ultimate source of abolition is moral, not political.

5. *Economic Relations.* Despite the efforts of government and of other agencies to secure re-employment, a disturbing proportion of our able-bodied population remains idle. This is particularly disturbing, inasmuch as there are, at least in certain quarters, signs of economic restoration. An economic order that tolerates recovery for the few and charity for the many must not itself be ultimately tolerated. Moreover, a maladjusted social situation will surely breed bitterness and class conflict, and finally undermine the foundations of orderly civilization.

One of the most acute social issues confronts us of the South in the sphere of farm tenancy. According to a recent study, more than a million families must eek out their existence as tenants. Moreover, tenancy is on the increase. In 1880, 36.2 per cent of the farms were operated by tenants; in 1920, 49.6 per cent; in 1930, 53.5 per cent. In the cotton region the percentage is even higher. Out of every hundred cotton farms, sixty are worked by tenants. Whole communities once made up of owners are now servants of absentee landlords.

Sections that once were socially secure and morally vigorous are now being overrun by a sort of peonage that easily equals that which prevails in many parts of the Old World. In its wake churches become puny, sick with the ravages of economic hook-worm. The moral and economic health of the South calls loudly for a physician. This scandal of share-cropping, this new sort of slavery, must be checked or the country-side will become a moral, social, and economic desert.

Respectfully submitted,

H. SHELTON SMITH,
GEO. N. EDWARDS,

Committee.

Report of the Committee on Evangelism was read by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

Evangelism in its inclusive sense is the chief business of the church. To proclaim the "good news," to win men to personal discipleship to Jesus Christ, to help them to come into a personal, vital, transforming experience of God through Christ, to enlist them in membership in the church and to inspire them to service through the church is the central purpose and should be the controlling passion of the church. Indeed a church should be evangelistic if only for selfish purposes, for how is a church to grow unless is it constantly enlisting new members, constantly recruiting its forces, to replace those who have died or who have moved away, or who have become inactive?

But evangelism is not a matter primarily of getting new members or of adding names to the church roll. It is primarily a matter of sharing the riches of Christ with others. True evangelism is born out of the conviction that Jesus Christ is unique, that apart from Him there is no life that is life indeed, that all men everywhere need that which Christ alone can supply, that because we have so freely received we must as freely give. The dynamic impulse to evangelism is a constraining love that makes us want to share with others what Christ has so graciously shared with us. The evangelistic spirit may find expression in many ways, but at its best it has but one motive—to win others to personal discipleship to Jesus Christ and to enlist them in personal cooperation with Christ.

There are many variable elements or factors in evangelism. Methods may change. Even the message may have to be adapted to the occasion of the time.

But the need for the evangelistic emphasis is always imperative, and the opportunity for evangelistic effort is always at hand. The fact that many factors in our modern life make evangelism seem more difficult does not mean that it is any the less demanded. Indeed men need God today in a most desperate way. Today as always men need redemption from the penalty and the power of sin, and that is the ever-present challenge to evangelism. The multitudes who have not been won to Christ are a constant challenge to the sympathy and the sincerity of the Church of Christ. It may be more difficult for the church to reach men today but that does not excuse the church from its duty in the matter.

It would appear that the members of the Convention have not been very zealous in the work of evangelism during the past year. A net gain of three hundred and five members to the church during that time would not indicate that we had kept the fires of evangelism burning very brightly or warmly on the altars either of our hearts or our churches. It would indicate that neither preachers nor people had any consuming passion in this primary matter. This is said, not by way of criticism but simply as stating a fact. It means that we have not been trying, in season and out of season, to share Christ with others and to win others to His way of life.

There is but one remedy. We must recapture the radiance of early Christianity. We must come to a clearer conception of what it means to do without Christ. We must develop a more consuming compassion for those who are without Christ. We must consecrate ourselves to a more constant, consistent endeavor to win others to Christ. This applies to those in the pulpit and those in the pew. Evangelism is not the business of the preacher alone; it is the responsibility of the layman as well. Indeed one of the chief reasons why our churches have not grown more in number and in power is because the laymen have not been aroused to their responsibility, and they have not been consecrating their resources to this supreme business of the church. Ministers must have the evangelistic spirit themselves. But they must also inspire this spirit in their people, they must train them in methods of evangelism, and they must direct and use their people in this field white always and ready for the harvest.

Your committee recommends the following:

1. That pastors study in an intensive way the gospels and the Acts of the Apostles in an effort to stimulate their evangelistic spirit.
2. That every church hold special evangelistic services during the year, with an additional emphasis at the Easter season.
3. That pastors emphasize the evangelistic spirit in their regular services of worship, as well as in special evangelistic services.
4. That pastors seek to enlist and train laymen in this vital form of Kingdom service.
5. That members of the church be alert to the possibilities of their personal contacts with those who are out of Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. *HARDCASTLE, Ch'n.,*

O. D. *POYTHRESS,*

Committee.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by Rev. S. E. Madren, chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We your Committee on Resolutions wish to make the following report:

1. That we express, by a rising vote of thanks our appreciation to the Pastor, members and friends of this church and of Elon College, for the hospitality and welcome we have experienced while here.

2. That we express our appreciation to the officers of this Convention for their efficient service to our Convention.

3. That we thank all those who have appeared on the program and thus helped to make the Convention a success.

4. That we thank the local press for their service in printing the proceedings of the Convention in their papers.

5. That we urge the delegates to this and all future sessions of the Convention until its closing session.

6. That it is the sense of the members of the Press Committee of this Convention that in the future the policy of this Convention should be to appoint a publicity agent to cover the publicity work of the Convention, that where possible a representative of the Associated Press be invited to cover the sessions; that all the major reports prepare a copy for the publicity agent as well as for the Secretary's record.

Respectfully submitted,

S. E. MADREN,
ROBERT LEE HOUSE,
Committee.

On motion, Dr. C. Rexford Raymond was appointed to fill the place of Rev. M. J. Sweet, and Dr. Stanley C. Harrell was added to the Committee on Revising the Book, "Principles and Government of the Christian Church."

The report of the Auditing Committee was read by Mr. Charles D. Johnston, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We, your Auditing Committee, beg to report that we had examined the report of the Treasurer of this Convention, the vouchers, receipts, and disbursements, and find same correct.

We recommend that Dr. I. W. Johnson, Secretary, be paid the usual amount of \$50.00, and Mrs. S. G. Rollings, Assistant Secretary, be paid \$25.00 for services in their respective offices.

We recommend that the Treasurer be authorized to pay for printing the minutes and the other bills incident to the holding of this session of the Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. D. JOHNSTON,
H. V. SIMPSON,
J. E. McCAULEY,
Committee.

It was understood that the adoption of this report implied that the minutes be printed in pamphlet form for distribution and included in THE ANNUAL, as heretofore.

The President announced the appointment of the following standing committees for the next biennium:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Committee on Temperance—Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, Col. J. E. West, Rev. S. M. Penn, Rev. S. E. Madren, Mr. L. E. Carlton, Mrs. I. W. Johnson, Dr. J. W. Manning.

Committee on Social Relations—Dr. H. Shelton Smith, Dr. P. H. Fleming, Rev. Robert Lee House, Rev. George N. Edwards, Rev. W. E. Wisseman, Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell.

Committee on Evangelism—Dr. John G. Truitt, Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Rev. O. D. Poythress, Rev. A. W. Andes, Mrs. W. B. Truitt, Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Rev. Arnold Slater.

Committee on Memoirs—Dr. W. M. Jay, Rev. T. Fred Wright, Dr. C. H. Rowland, Mrs. J. A. Kimball, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Rev. C. E. Newman, Rev. R. L. Williamson.

Committee on Finance—Dr. I. W. Johnson, Col. E. E. Holland, Rev. Robert Lee House, Prof. L. L. Vaughan, Rev. John R. Chapman, Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, Rev. James H. Lightbourne, Mrs. John G. Truitt.

Committee on Ministerial Education Loan Fund—Dr. L. E. Smith, Mr. Chas. D. Johnston, Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

The minutes were read and approved.

It was moved and carried that after the worship period the Convention adjourn, to meet Tuesday before the first Sunday in May, 1936, at such hour and place as may be approved by the Executive Board.

Closing worship period by Dr. John G. Truitt; theme, "The Final Commission."

Benediction by Dr. Stanley C. Harrell, President.

STANLEY C. HARRELL, *President*.

I. W. JOHNSON, *Secretary*.

ADDENDA.

The action of the meeting of the Executive Board and the Board of Publications on the report of the Board of Publications, which was referred to said boards with power to act, is herewith submitted as addenda to the Convention records as information and for record.

REPORT OF JOINT MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND THE BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS.

A joint meeting of the Board of Publications and the Executive Board was held at Elon College, 2:30 P. M., Tuesday, May 26, 1936. Dr. Stanley C. Harrell presided and following were in attendance.

Executive Board—Harrell, Holland, Raymond, Lightbourne.

Board of Publications—Newman, Lester, Rowland, Truitt, Atkinson.

On motion of Lightbourne seconded by Rowland recess was voted until 4 o'clock to enable the members to attend the annual business meeting of the Elon Alumni Association.

On reconvening the report of the Board of Publications was read by the Chairman of the Board, Dr. N. G. Newman, which report had been referred to the joint meeting by action of the Southern Convention. On motion of Raymond seconded by Rowland it was voted to consider the report seriatim.

- 1.—Moved by Holland, seconded by Raymond, adopted.
- 2.—Moved by Raymond, seconded by Holland, adopted after discussion.
- 3.—Moved by Raymond, seconded by Holland, adopted.
- 4.—Moved by Holland, seconded by Rowland, adopted after change.
- 5.—Moved by Rawles, seconded by Holland, Adopted after discussion and amounts named.

- 6.—Moved by Holland, seconded by Lightbourne, adopted.
- 7.—Moved by Lightbourne, seconded by Rowland, adopted.
- 8.—Moved by Rawles, seconded by Holland, adopted after discussion.
- 9.—Moved by Rawles, seconded by Holland, Adopted.

Item 10 was eliminated, item 11 becoming item 10, etc.

- 10.—Moved by Lightbourne, seconded by Holland, adopted after discussion.
- 11.—Moved by Lightbourne, seconded by Holland, adopted after discussion.
- 12.—Moved by Holland, seconded by Truitt, adopted after discussion.
- 13.—Moved by Holland, seconded by Rawles, adopted.
- 14.—Moved by Lightbourne, seconded by Holland, adopted.

On motion of Holland, seconded by Rawles, the report as a whole was adopted.

On motion by Holland, seconded by Lightbourne, the Board of Publications was authorized to issue and sign a contract with the Central Publishing Company of Richmond, Virginia, according to the several stipulations and agreements of this report.

On motion of Holland, generously seconded, the Boards adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY C. HARRELL, *Pres.,*
Southern Convention.

JAS. H. LIGHTBOURNE, *Acting*
Sec'y Executive Board.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS.

Dr. J. O. Atkinson retires from the editorship of the *The Sun* July 1st after twelve years of faithful and efficient, as well as gratuitous service. The Publisher and Managing Editor, Mr. J. T. Kernodle, has for the past two bienniums kept the paper to the same high standard of mechanical excellence. We ask that the Convention record its appreciation and gratitude to these faithful servants of the Church.

We recommend:

1. That *The Sun* be continued as a sixteen page paper, with the same high standard of excellence as to quality of paper and mechanical make-up.
2. That the Editor be given authority with the approval of the Board of Publications, to make such changes in the form, type and general make-up of the paper, as in his judgement will add to its attractiveness or usefulness, provided no additional expense be imposed on the Convention.
3. That the editorial staff consist of Editor, Associate Editor, Contributing Editor, and Departmental Editors, and that those members of the staff not elected by the Convention be appointed by the Editor with the approval of the Board of Publications.
4. That the columns of *The Sun* be open to general commercial advertising, but that the editor shall have the use of the maximum of two pages for the advertisement of church supplies, bibles, and any good literature he may desire to represent, and that a maximum of two pages be allowed for the advertising of the institutions of the Southern Convention and of the Southeast but that all Boards and institutions contributing to the support of *The Sun* be allowed their advertising free.
5. That the Convention take over the subscription list when the contract with the publisher expires July 1st and that provision be made through the editor or some other person to collect subscriptions, extend the circulation of *The Sun*, and perform such other duties as may pertain to the office of a business manager, and that he be allowed \$30.00 per week salary and expenses.
6. That the editor and publisher conform to the postal laws and drop all subscriptions over one year in arrears, after due warning has been given and proper effort to collect and continue the same.

7. That a Field News department be added to *The Sun*, and that each conference or association elect some person to be designated the Field News Editor whose duty it shall be to furnish for the paper all church news of a general character within his territory, and to have local reporters in each church or field who shall send all worthwhile news directly and promptly to *The Sun*.

8. That a campaign for new subscribers be put on in the fall to continue through the fall months and that the work be so thoroughly organized and systemitized as to carry the campaign directly and strenuously into every local church—this campaign to be headed up and directed by the Editor or Business Manager, the subscription price to be as follows:

9. That the price of *The Sun* remain \$2.00 per year and \$1.00 for six months.

10. That any church increasing the number of subscribers to ten per cent of its enrollment and assuming the duties of collecting from said subscribers shall be allowed 25 per cent on all collections.

11. That the Convention enter into a contract with the Central Publishing Co., J. T. Kernodle, Manager, to print and mail as many copies of *The Sun* as may be desired, 51 issues a year, for \$100.00 per issue, effective July 1, 1936, and to continue 'till March 1, 1937.

12. That the Convention make arrangements to pay the publisher monthly.

13. That all Boards due any payments for the support of *The Sun* be asked to make these payments at once, that the Convention may be able to meet its past due obligations to the Central Publishing Co.

14. That all money received for subscriptions, from the Boards, advertising and other sources be paid to the Treasurer of the Southern Convention to be kept separately in a Publishing Account.

(No Signatures to Report.)

Proceedings of Eighty-Eight Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Congre- gational-Christian Conference.

ANTIOCH CHRISTIAN CHURCH, AUGUST 5, 6, 1936.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Eighty-eighth Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference met and was called to order at 10 o'clock by the President, Rev. R. L. Williamson.

Devotional services were conducted by Dr. S. C. Harrell, President of the Southern Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches.

ENROLLMENT.

Ordained Ministers—R. L. Williamson, M. L. Weekley, W. J. Andes.

Chairmen of Standing Committees—R. O. Rothgeb, W. C. Wampler, W. J. Andes, Irene Hensley, Mrs A. W. Andes.

Conference Officers—R. L. Williamson, J. C. Bradford, Samuel Earman, R. O. Rothgeb, Minnie Dofflemyre.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—E. A. Showalter, Mrs. Will Grady.

Bethel—Mrs. W. H. Alger, Mrs. T. I. Dofflemyre, Mrs. Nannie Monger.

Bethlehem—Mrs. R. C. Myers, Lowell Pickering, Ella Pickering.

Beulah—Not represented.

Christian Chapel—Not represented.

Concord—Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Smith.

Dry Run—Roderick Burke, Alma Boyce.

East Liberty—Not represented.

High Point—Not represented.

Island Ford—John Goodwin, Walter Staton.

Joppa—Mrs. Angelo Bowman, Mary Duncan.

Leaksville—Mrs. Pearl Painter, Mrs. B. F. McDaniel, Mrs. R. O. Rothgeb.

Linville—Joe Taylor, Mrs. R. Roy Hosaflook, J. Warner Stearn.

Mayland—Miss Charlotte Hillyard, Miss Catherine Phillips.

Mt. Lebanon—Thelma Comer, Nellie Comer.

Mt. Olivet (G.)—Miss Thelma Morris, Norman Morris.

Mt. Olivet (R.)—Ethel Lam, Miss Camie Lilly.

New Hope—Frank Liskey, Hubert Liskey.

Newport—Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Alger, Gladys Alger.

Palmyra—Clarence Rush, Robert Clem.

St. Peter's—Leona Rion, Mrs. S. A. Jenkins.

Timber Mountain—Not represented.

Timber Ridge—Mr. Albert Fletcher, Mrs. Florence Oates, Mrs. Newton Morris, Mrs. Leone Anderson.

Whistler's Chapel—R. L. Ettel, Gladys Earheart.

Winchester—John Spaid, Mrs. Ada Whitlock, Mrs. Eula Sale, Mrs. Edgar Nelson.

Woods' Chapel—Ray Stroop, M. A. Kagey, Mrs. Florence Day.

Welcome Addresses by E. A. Showalter and Miss Betty Jean Showalter. Response by R. L. Ettel.

Rev. W. J. Andes was elected secretary, pro tem.

REPORT OF PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee, prepared programs at a cost of sixty-five cents for material.

A. W. ANDES, (By W. J. A.)

R. L. WILLIAMSON,

Committee.

Adopted with the proviso that the president be empowered to make such changes as may be necessary at any time.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Executive Committee, with the Home Mission Committee, ordered appropriations of \$45 to each of the following churches, to be paid quarterly, beginning October 1st, to pastors approved by the Home Mission Committee: Island Ford, Joppa, Mt. Lebanon, Concord, St. Peter's, Woods' Chapel, Whistler's Chapel, and Palmyra.

R. L. WILLIAMSON,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF STEWARDSHIP SECRETARY.

What is stewardship? Stewardship involves more than just giving money. It means the recognition of Christ-service—to devote a share of our time, strength and money to the service of others in His name. It means the consecration of self. It involves not only giving but intelligent giving. A Christian steward is a trustee and will seek to know the aims and needs, and will properly distribute that which he has in his possession. Stewardship changes one's attitude toward appeals, makes one more generous in giving, and enriches in life by sharing in a larger number and variety of worthy interests.

Missionary education deals with stewardship because of its effect upon character, and means of providing support for benevolent causes.

In these days of great financial depression, is there no remedy for the child of God? Is there no deliverance from its grinding heel of poverty? What saith the scriptures? As we search them, we fear much is due to the niggardliness of the child of God himself: he has held from God that which was not his own to hold. He has sowed sparingly and is reaping sparingly. The churches of Macedonia gave abundantly in the midst of trial and deep poverty.

Has God a plan for giving? We find that the Jews gave one tenth under the law; but long before the law was ever given, Abraham paid tithes to Melchisedec, and Jacob promised one-tenth to God if he would bless him, and God did bless him.

God will never bless a man who retains for his own that which belongs to God; no man ever gained by serving God with a half heart; nor ever lost by serving him with a whole one.

Have you been failing God in tithes and offerings? Have you been having a hard time spiritually and financially. Are you being destroyed by the de-

vourer? If so, turn to Malachi 3:10-11, and read its comforting words, "Bring . . . and prove me." If you will, He will open the windows of heaven for you, the very windows which have been closed against you. And will empty out a blessing so large that you will have more than enough. And he will rebuke the devourer, the locust, etc., for your sake. Do not be afraid to trust the Lord. Prove him and see.

What shall I give? Tithes and offerings should be given where God is honored, and where his word is preached. Should not be given where minister does not believe in the deity of Lord Jesus Christ. They belong to God, and he will hold you accountable if you withhold them or do not place them as a faithful steward.

MINNIE DOFFLEMYRE,
Stewardship Secretary.

Adopted.

The following were appointed on the Press Committee: B. H. Samuel, Thelma Comer, Mrs. Noah Painter, Mrs. K. B. Sale, and Rev. F. C. Lester.

On motion, the following were invited to seats as deliberative members: Dr. L. E. Smith, Dr. S. C. Harrell, Rev. Lanson Granger, Rev. B. J. Earp, Rev. G. E. Kellog, Rev. Joe French, Dr. W. H. Boone.

Annual Sermon was delivered by Rev. W. J. Andes. His theme was "Christian Light."

Adjournment for dinner.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:30 by the president. Devotional services conducted by Dr. S. C. Harrell, he using as his theme "The Mortal Enemy of the Church."

The following were appointed on a Memoirs Committee: Rev. M. L. Weekley, Rev. R. L. Williamson, Dr. S. C. Harrell, Dr. L. E. Smith, Rev. F. C. Lester, Rev. Joe French.

Rev. F. C. Lester was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WOMAN'S BOARD.

After a few years of experience in and amidst the depression, there is certainly some evidence to show us that the resources of man are exhaustible. We may call for a while on our national treasury, but soon we shall have to put some back or we shall have a bankrupt nation. However, there is a greater experience that all of us can share in. This is the experience of drawing on the storehouse of God. Here we find that it never will become bankrupt, for spiritual wealth is heaped up and endless. The greatest spiritual wealth that one can receive is given one only after he has given to others and shared this abundance of God's mercy with others. Listen to the words of Jesus, how he said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." (Acts 20:35.)

The ninth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Conference met at New Hope, on July 23, 1936. The theme of the conference was "Winning Others." The program was well outlined and presided over by the president, Mrs. K. H. Sale. One of the outstanding features of the program was the splendid address by Mrs. R. E. Moore of Mt. Clinton, Virginia, who is a returned missionary from India. Those who heard the inspiring address will have a clearer idea of the missionary work in India. Another outstanding feature was the candle-light installation service led by Rev. W. C. Hook of Washington, D. C.

The reports showed: Seven Women's Societies with an enrollment of 165, and amount raised, \$263.98; two Young People's Societies with an enrollment of 44, and \$50.43 raised; four Cradle Rolls with 44 members and \$6.55 raised. Special offerings amounted to \$12.15, making a total of \$333.11. The total enrollment was 256.

The Literature Superintendent reported 51 books, 59 mission magazines, and 618 articles read. There were 381 visits made to the sick.

The financial goal for the coming year will be \$500.00.

Officers for the past year were re-elected for the ensuing year.

MRS. A. W. ANDES,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Literature is the soul of the nation. In it is preserved the thoughts and deeds of mankind. Literature is food for the mind and heart, and the products of our minds and hearts become like the mental food we digest. Food is important, and especially mind food. We are what we are largely because of what we read. A very wise man once said, "Tell me what you read, and I'll tell you what you are." When people read at all, the worst is at hand. Our newsstands reek with noisome magazines and pamphlets. Our supposedly respectable magazines are increasingly presenting suggestive sex themes and criminal stories which plant within the minds of our young people thoughts that are not of a high moral standard. Hundreds of homes have the daily paper, with its rehash of murder and divorce and lust as leading features. These are continually before the youth of the home. Then, after doses of daily dozens of suggestions, we wonder why the young people get away from the church and the home and frequent the dance hall and the road house and the "jazzy" pictures and entertainments. The cure is plainly, better reading, better food for the mind. Since reading and studying are of such great importance in character building and the formation of ideals, we believe the Church should be diligent in urging care and caution in the kind of reading done and encourage the reading of books that are wholesome in their content, whether they be books of fiction, history, science or religion.

We, therefore, recommend the following:

1. The prayerful and thoughtful reading of that perfect Book, the Bible. There are other books which are uplifting and educational, but the Bible is second to none.

2. The use of our own Sunday School literature in our Sunday Schools, thereby proving loyalty to our own publishing houses.

3. That a Committee on Religious Literature be appointed in each church to help create interest in and support of our own church papers, books and magazines.

Respectfully submitted,

IRENE HENSLEY,
CHARLOTTE HILLYARD,
MR. SAMUEL EARMAN,
J. A. KAGEY,

Committee.

An address on "Christian Literature" was given by Rev. F. C. Lester, editor of *The Christian Sun*.

The Report on Religious Literature was adopted.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE MISSION SECRETARY.

Your conference mission secretary deeply regrets to have to report a sharp decrease in our offerings to missions the past conference year.

Last conference we were pleased and encouraged to report an increase over the previous year, and were hoping to have the pleasure of reporting a still greater increase this year, but to our shame and sorrow, our offerings this year to both Home and Foreign Missions are \$65.11 less than our offerings during 1934 and 1935.

The Sunday Schools of our conference gave this year to both Home and Foreign Missions \$287.77, which was \$36.70 less than last year.

The churches of our conference gave this year to both Home and Foreign Missions \$87.73, which was \$28.41 less than last year, making a total decrease of \$65.11 for this conference year.

Eleven of our churches sent in no offering at all to missions, and seven of our Sunday Schools sent in no offerings.

Are we growing poorer each year, or are we growing less concerned? We should, indeed, give this matter serious consideration. We must obey our Savior's command or suffer for not obeying. Which will we do?

It is very evident that the rank and file of our membership is very little concerned about Missions. Therefore, it is absolutely necessary that there be at least one in each church who will keep the mission cause before the people. We suggest that the pastors appoint someone in each church for this purpose.

Respectfully,

R. O. ROTHGEB,

Conference Mission Secretary.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

The part evangelism is to play in the building of the Church in the future will be a very important one and will hold a strategic position. If the Church fails to hold this strategic position, then the desire for lost souls to be saved will be lost to a large extent. Therefore, we, your Committee on Evangelism, recommend the following:

1. That a survey be made by the pastor or someone designated by him of each community in which the church is located in order to determine the number of unchurched people in that community.

2. That we put forth as much effort the year round to win souls as at the time of the revival.

3. That the church train and use the ones who join the church from time to time in the service of the church. It is a new life for them, so show them how to use that new life and how to live it.

4. That we endorse the "Preaching Mission" being planned by the Federal Council of Churches.

5. That family worship be re-established in the homes of the church members.

6. That we give more time and thought to the study and use of evangelism.

NOTE.—Some of the above suggestions have come from the report of the Evangelistic Committee as found on page 9 of *The Christian Sun*, in the July 9, 1936, issue.

W. J. ANDES,

EUGENIA S. SNOW,

Committee.

Adopted.

Dr. W. H. Boone, Durham, N. C., spoke in behalf of the Christian Orphanage. Supt. C. D. Johnston was unable to attend Conference because of illness in his family.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY—NIGHT SESSION.

Vesper Service in charge of Youth Fellowship.

Conference called to order at 8:30 by the president.

A. A. Dofflemyre, Chairman of the Committee on Religious Education, not being present, Bro. K. B. Hook made a few remarks.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS
AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

More and more it becomes apparent that we must look to the Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies for the larger number who will join our churches in the future. The leadership for our Church tomorrow must be trained in our Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies.

Your committee would recommend that the best literature be secured for our Sunday Schools, and we know of no better place than our denominational publishing houses.

Our Sunday School teachers and workers have been doing good and faithful work, and we want to urge them to do all they can to improve themselves in their work with our Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor groups. In view of the many worldly things that are enticing our young people, we must put forth our best efforts for the advancement of our Church work.

Boys and girls who will be trained in our churches under inspired workers will be the spiritual leaders for our next generation, and we want them trained in the knowledge of our Holy Bible and guided by God for the great task that confronts them.

ROY A. LARRICK,
MRS. B. F. FRANK,
K. B. HOOK,
ANNA LOU SHOWALTER,
Committee.

Adopted.

Youth Fellowship Program: Rev. Lanson Granger spoke on "Being Like Jesus."

Benediction by Rev. F. C. Lester.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 9:30. Devotional services led by Dr. S. C. Harrell.

Roll called. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Moved and carried that the conference express by rising vote their appreciation of having Dr. and Mrs. S. C. Harrell and Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Boone.

The president appointed Mr. Ray Stroop and Mr. J. A. Taylor to serve on the Nominating Committee. The conference elected Mr. B. F. McDaniel, Mrs. K. H. Sale and Mr. R. R. Hosaflook to serve on this committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission work is not going as we would like to see it, because of the lack of sufficient funds. We are, however, accomplishing a few things we feel are of great value: for example, the Island Ford work which has been

inactive for some years. The past year they have been supplied with a pastor, and are represented at this conference by two delegates and have contributed to conference apportionments. We also have several other churches that would be without pastors were it not for the Home Mission funds. We feel we should extend our work farther than our conference.

There is a great need in Carroll County where we already have two churches, Rocky Ford and Elk Spur. At Ivy Hill the people are very anxious that a church be built. The Sunday School has already been organized, and we feel this a great opportunity for this conference to let its light shine forth in this community.

R. O. ROTHGEB,
VERDIE SHOWALTER,
R. ROY HOSAFLOOK,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Ahead of us is a world with millions who have no knowledge of God as their Father, multitudes who grope for light. The Christ we know is their truth, their way, their life, but they do not know Him. Our purpose in missions is to permeate the life of these millions and the life of the whole world in all its areas with the spirit of Jesus, to proclaim the unparalleled significance of Jesus and His spirit as the supreme factor in spiritual growth, both individually and socially.

To accomplish this it is absolutely necessary that those engaged in the work be so full of the Christ spirit that the overflow of that spirit permeates the lives of those with whom they come in contact.

Bible reading that is done because there is something important to be learned, has but little meaning to those who listen.

The spiritual tide of our church life will rise no higher than the current of its missionary activity on the part of those who constitute the leadership of the church.

Our conference will come into possession of power and influence for greater good only in proportion as it shall rise to its high and holy privilege of obeying our Lord and sharing Him with those who know Him not.

A bulletin recently issue by the American Board presents the following facts: We have a foreign parish of 61,000,000 people, 494 missionaries in active service, 6,033 national Christian workers, 14 missions, 84 stations, and 2,167 out-stations, 765 churches with 104,162 members and 1,303 Sunday Schools with 90,563 members, an increase in members in both Sunday Schools and churches in 1934. A larger amount of money is raised on the mission field for the support of schools, hospitals and churches today than is contributed by living donors in our churches in the United States.

We recommend:

1. That the missionary message be kept before our churches by emphasizing the Christ spirit and reading missionary study books and *The Missionary Herald*.
2. That active, live missionary societies be organized with monthly programs so well prepared and given that they will lift the listeners into a real missionary atmosphere.
3. That each society have a cradle roll and a superintendent who will look after the infants in the church.
4. That we approve the Penny-a-Meal plan as recommended by our Southern Convention.
5. That last, but not least, we make a full surrender of ourselves to Him who said, "All power is given unto me in heaven and on earth."

W. C. WAMPLER,
E. A. HILLYARD,
E. LENA ROTHGEB,
THELMA MORRIS,
Committee.

Addresses were given by Dr. L. E. Smith and Mr. W. C. Wampler in regard to the Mission Reports.

Home Mission Report adopted.

Foreign Mission Report adopted.

Appointment of Special Committees:

Resolutions—Mrs. R. C. Myers, Mrs. Nannie Monger, Mrs. B. F. McDaniel.

Finance—J. A. Spaid, Joe Taylor, E. A. Showalter.

Place of Next Meeting—Mrs. Ada Whitlock, Mrs. S. A. Jenkins, Miss Irene Hensley.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Education is a word to conjure with. When I was a boy I used to think that education created a distinctly different order of human beings, detached from all the common emotions and interests of life. Of course, I always associated education with the intellectual process of fairly mastering the contents of certain text books. I am not intending to say that there are no values growing out of such discipline. No doubt the mind is made more alert and sensitive to the world about it.

But many elements of this odd conception of education are passing away, and we are investing it with new meaning. We are giving education a new direction and a new objective. We are making new demands upon education as a process of creative living.

President Hutchins of the University of Chicago has sharply challenged the traditional factual basis of education; that is, that conception that makes education consist primarily in the accumulation of a vast amount of facts in the various areas of knowledge. He demands that the facts in every field of knowledge be invested with adequate social and spiritual values and organized around some great dynamic, compelling, moral principle that will fit man for creative living. We believe that the Christian motive and the Christian vision give us the final organizing principle of life, and that education organized around such a life-giving center is the only redemptive power in the world.

The world is pretty well cluttered up with facts. Our scientific knowledge and mechanical genius have far outrun our spiritual sympathies and social position. In consequence, we have a tragically torn and bleeding social order of life. It is only when some high redemptive spiritual passion invades and dominates the whole educational process that we shall have a good and happy world.

We believe that Elon College holds a fundamental place in this creative educational scheme, and we pledge it our loyalty in this crisis hour of its life and in the enduring service it is giving the world.

M. L. WEEKLEY,
Committee.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:30 by President R. L. Williamson. Dr. L. E. Smith spoke on behalf of Elon College.

Report of Sommittee on Education adopted.

Conference adjourned to meet at once in the capacity of the Conference Missionary Association.

CONFERENCE MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

The Conference Missionary Association was called to order by the president, Rev. Wm. J. Andes. The roll was called.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The following membership fees have been received: Rev. A. W. Andes, \$5; Rev. W. J. Andes, \$5; Barbara Andes, \$2.50; Owen Andes, \$5; Bethlehem Church, \$5; Antioch Church, \$5; Linville Church, \$5; New Hope Church, \$5; Busy Bee Class, Bethel, \$2.50; Mary Pickering, \$5; Samuel Earman, \$5; Mrs. R. A. Henton, \$2.50; Mrs. R. Roy Hosaflook, \$2.50; R. Roy Hosaflook, \$5; Win One Bible Class, Winchester, \$5; Women's Bible Class, Linville, \$2.50; Women's Missionary Society, Linville, \$5; Women's Bible Class, Antioch, \$2.50; Miss Verdie Showalter, \$2.50; Miss Olive Showalter, \$2.50; Miss Minnie Showalter, \$2.50; Rev. R. L. Williamson, \$5; Mr. L. H. Hook, \$5; total, \$92.50.

MINNIE DOFFLEMYRE,

Treasurer.

On motion, the treasurer was authorized to turn the money in hand over to the conference treasurer for the Home Mission Fund.

Moved and carried to retain the same officers for the ensuing year.

On motion, the association adjourned.

W. J. ANDES, *President,*

MINNIE DOFFLEMYRE, *Sec'y.*

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Solo by Rev. Joe French.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

HOME MISSIONS.

Cash on hand	\$ 503.91
Conference Collections	292.14
Conference Missionary Association	80.00
Total amount received	\$ 876.05
Paid Rev. A. W. Andes	\$ 135.00
Paid Rev. R. L. Williamson	180.00
Paid Rev. W. J. Andes	45.00
Total amount paid	360.00
Balance on hand	\$ 516.05

CHURCH EXTENSION.

Cash on hand	\$ 36.88
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CONFERENCE FUND.

Cash on hand	\$ 213.19
Received on ANNUALS	15.75
Conference collections	146.07
Total amount received	\$ 375.01
Paid A. W. Andes, services as secretary	\$ 20.00
Paid Samuel Earman, services as treasurer	15.00
Paid on programs	1.75
Paid Central Publishing Co. for ANNUALS	62.50
Total amount paid	99.25
Balance on hand	\$ 275.76

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION FUND.

Cash on hand	\$ 382.04
Conference collections	373.30
Total amount received	\$ 755.34
Paid W. C. Wicker, Treasurer S. C. C.	382.04
Balance on hand	\$ 373.30

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL EARMAN, *Treasurer.*

On motion, the report was referred to the Finance Committee.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Finance, have audited the Treasurer's report and find it correct as read.

E. A. SHOWALTER,

J. A. TAYLOR,

J. A. SPAID,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE.

Attention is called to the fact that we are living in a time of rapid changes in all social conditions. Moral standards, economic conditions, race attitude, and national outlook, are all changing rapidly. In such a time, it is important for the Church to be alert and to definitely seek to direct trends of thought and conduct.

The following recommendations are suggested:

1. That the churches undertake to develop a recreation program that will meet the needs of the community, rather than leave the recreation entirely to commercial enterprises.

2. That each church have definite teaching in regard to the social evils of the present system of alcoholic beverage control and the use of strong drink.

3. That the church and church people use their influence toward honesty and initiative in industry.

4. That church people be on their guard concerning propaganda for war, and use every possible influence for peace.

MINNIE DOFFLEMYRE,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE.

We, your Committee on Place, have received two invitations, Linville and Mt. Olivet (R). We would like to recommend meeting at Mt. Olivet (R).

MRS. S. A. JENKIN.

MRS. C. J. WHITLOCK,

IRENE HENSLEY,

Committee.

Adopted.

No report from the Committee on Christian Union.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We, your Committee on Apportionments, beg to report as follows:

We recommend that the following amounts be raised by our conference: Home Missions, \$400; Conference Fund, \$200; Southern Convention, \$511.

To be raised by the churches, as follows: Antioch, \$80; Bethel, \$35; Bethlehem, \$80; Beulah, \$15; Christian Chapel, \$5; Concord, \$30; Dry Run, \$40; East Liberty, \$5; High Point, \$5; Island Ford, \$6; Joppa, \$15; Leaksville, \$125;

Linville, \$100; Mayland, \$70; Mt. Lebanon, \$25; Mt. Olivet (G), \$70; Mt. Olivet (R), \$25; New Hope, \$30; Newport, \$75; Palmyra, \$20; St. Peters, \$15; Timber Mt., \$10; Timber Ridge, \$80; Whistler's Chapel, \$25; Winchester, \$100; Woods' Chapel, \$25. Total, \$1,111.00.

We make the following suggestions in regard to raising our apportionments:

1. That some system be adopted by each church at the beginning of the year, such as the envelope system, or the "Penny-a-Meal" box, so that every member of the church has a constant reminder, together with constant reference being made to the church by the finance committee.

2. That pastors, of course, manifest an interest in the apportionments of the conference, explaining and emphasizing the importance of supporting the phases of Christian work that they represent.

W. C. WAMPLER,

J. M. LOHR,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We feel that we have had a great conference, which has given us much information, also inspiration and encouragement to "carry on" with our work.

We are glad that missions, especially our home work, have been stressed as they have, and hope that we may all be light bearers, in one way or another, as suggested by our theme.

We are very proud of our young people's work and grateful to them for the splendid program last evening.

Therefore we recommend:

1. That we express, by a rising vote of thanks, our appreciation to the members and friends of Antioch Church for their hospitality and their splendid entertainment.

2. That we thank the program committee and all who had any part on the program, especially our visiting speakers, for their services so well rendered.

3. That our program committee for the next year give the Youth Fellowship the evening service.

MRS. R. C. MYERS,

MRS. B. F. MCDANIEL,

MRS. NANNIE MONGER,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

The bodily presence of Rev. A. W. Andes is with us no more. But that imperishable life that wrought a while in the flesh has invaded the world of beauty and light and life.

The few years of inspiring fellowship with this good man have left some outstanding impressions of his character. He was faithful and sincere to a fault. Never have we seen a man who took more seriously the business of preaching the "Good News" to men. He believed with holy enthusiasm that the Gospel is literally the "power of God unto salvation to every one who believes," and the only power that can save men. He had no confidence in human wisdom or human expedients to redeem human life.

He had a very high conception of the eternal values of life. He believed in the immeasurable significance of a human life, however drab in outer appearance. He believed that it is an appalling tragedy for any man to lose his soul, and he dedicated himself with a divine passion to avert this tragedy as far as lay in his power. As every true preacher must be, he was deeply identified with the lives of men in all their hopes and failures, struggles, pains, and joys, and with a desire that reached a spiritual passion, he longed to lead men to the flaming altar of God to have their lives renewed and glorified.

He was the embodiment of simplicity. In dress and speech and manners and all the contacts of life he was direct and simple. He was utterly transparent and needed no protective mechanisms to guard the citadel of his soul. He heartily believed and practiced Jesus' command, "Let your communication be yea, yea and nay, nay." He was pure minded. We never heard him say a word that was even remotely suggestive. He had a clean mind as well as a pure heart. His life was never bedeviled by inordinate ambitions or corroded by jealousies. He made no pretensions to greatness, but was perfectly willing that others should assess his worth. With confident certainty a great company of men and women and children will enshrine him in their souls and revere his memory. We say with the poet:

"Soldier of God, well done,
The arduous warfare's past;
The battle's fought, the vict'ry won,
And thou art crowned at last."

M. L. WEEKLEY,
Committee.

Adopted.

Moved and carried that the Conference buy 150 ANNUALS and sell them at 25 cents per copy, and that the Conference Minutes be printed in pamphlet form and distributed to the churches as soon as possible.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your committee, submit the following as officers of the conference for the ensuing year: President, R. L. Williamson; Vice President, J. C. Bradford; Secretary, W. J. Andes; Assistant Secretary, Roy Andes; Treasurer, Samuel Earman; Director of Religious Education, Alfred Dofflemyre; Assistants, Miss Elsie Matthews, Norman Morris; Mission Secretary, R. O. Rothgeb; Stewardship Secretary, Miss Minnie Dofflemyre.

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. McDANIEL,
J. A. TAYLOR,
RAY STROOP,
R. ROY HOSAFLOOK,
MRS. K. H. SALE,
Committee.

Adopted.

Moved and carried that the treasurer pay all usual Conference bills.

Moved and carried that the Executive Committee be empowered to delegate someone to deliver the annual sermon for next year.

Moved and carried that the Mid-Year Session of Conference be held at Bethlehem.

Moved and carried that the Mid-Year Session be held on the last Thursday in March, 1937, at 10 a. m. and at 1:30 p. m..

Rev. B. J. Earp spoke in memory of the late Rev. A. W. Andes.

Standing Committees were appointed as follows:

Executive—R. L. Williamson, R. Roy Hosaflook, W. J. Andes.

Education—M. L. Weekley, W. B. Fuller, R. L. Williamson, W. J. Andes.

Home Missions—W. C. Wampler, R. C. Myers, E. A. Hillyard, J. W. Stearn.

Foreign Missions—Thelma Morris, E. Lena Rothgeb, A. N. Green.

Evangelism—W. J. Andes, W. B. Fuller, Winona Morris, R. L. Ettel.

Religious Literature—Irene Hensley, J. A. Kagey, Mamie Summers, Mrs. Samuel Earman.

Christian Union—Charlotte Hillyard, J. A. Taylor, H. D. Eppard, Mrs. Dora Kips.

Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor—R. A. Larrick, Anna Lou Showalter, Mrs. J. Warner Stearn, Floyd Showalter.

Social Service—Norman Morris, Minnie Dofflemyre, Dora Life, Elsie Alger.

Woman's Board—Mrs. A. W. Andes, Mrs. Fanny May Layman, Mrs. Myrle Eaton, Mrs. Noah Painter.

Apportionments—W. C. Wampler, W. B. Burke, J. M. Lohr, Norman Morris.

The basis for enrollment as a banner church was given, as follows:

1. Conference apportionments paid in full count 20 per cent.
2. One deacon and accredited delegate attending conference will count 15 per cent.
3. At least 25 cents per member for missions will count 15 per cent.
4. Pastor's salary paid in full will count 15 per cent.
5. At least 25 cents per member paid to the orphanage will count 10 per cent.
6. Five per cent of membership taking *The Christian Sun* will count 10 per cent.
7. Five per cent addition to church membership will count 15 per cent.

Any church making 60 per cent or more will be enrolled as a banner church.

The following banner churches were enrolled: Antioch, 65 per cent; Bethlehem, 70 per cent; Concord, 60 per cent; Dry Run, 60 per cent; Joppa, 75 per cent; Linville, 90 per cent; Mayland, 60 per cent; Mt. Olivet (G), 60 per cent; Newport, 65 per cent; Timber Ridge, 65 per cent; Winchester, 80 per cent.

Minutes of today read and approved.

Conference adjourned.

R. L. WILLIAMSON, *President*,
Charlottesville, Va.

W. J. ANDES, *Secretary*,
Harrisonburg, Va.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

A. W. Andes—Churches: Bethel, Concord, Dry Run, Leakesville, Newport, Mt. Olivet (R), St. Peter's, Palmyra, Joppa. Sermons, 105; conversions, 19; members received, 9; marriages, 4; addresses, 1; baptisms, 7; pastoral visits, 370; funerals, 6; salary, \$1,156.92.

William Jacob Andes—Churches: Hayes' Chapel, Cary, Christian Light, Damascus, Pope's Chapel New Hope, Plymouth (All Churches of Eastern N. C. Conference). Sermons, 116; conversions, 22; members received, 20; marriages, 2; addresses, 8; baptisms, 21; pastoral visits, 410; funerals, 5; salary, \$500.00.

Walton E. Brill—Report signed but all blank.

W. B. Fuller—No charge.

M. L. Weekley—Churches: Antioch, Bethlehem, Linville, New Hope. Sermons, 125; conversions, 36; members received, 40; marriages, 1; baptisms, 36; funerals, 8; salary, \$930.00.

R. L. Williamson—Churches: Island Ford, Mayland, Mt. Lebanon, Mt. Olivet (G), Whistler's Chapel, Woods' Chapel. Sermons, 96; conversions, 2; pastoral visits, 337; funerals, 4; salary, \$824.72.

Minutes of Mid-Year Session of the Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference.

BETHLEHEM CHRISTIAN CHURCH, MARCH 28, 1936.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference met, and was called to order at 10 a. m. by President R. L. Williamson. Devotional services by Dr. M. L. Weekley.

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—R. L. Williamson, M. L. Weekley, Ivan R. Smith, W. J. Andes, W. B. Fuller.

Licentiate—Walton E. Brill.

Chairmen of Standing Committees—R. O. Rothgeb, W. C. Wampler, Wm. J. Andes.

Conference Officers—R. L. Williamson, J. C. Bradford, Samuel Earman, R. O. Rothgeb.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—B. H. Samuel.

Bethlehem—Ella Pickering, R. C. Myers.

Bethel—Minnie Dofflemyre, Mrs. L. W. Snyder.

Leaksville—R. O. Rothgeb, R. E. Short.

Linville—J. A. Taylor, R. Roy Hosaflook.

Mayland—E. A. Hillyard.

Mt. Olivet (G)—Thelma Morris, J. T. Marshall, Norman Morris, Galen Morris.

Mt. Olivet (R)—Irene Hensley.

New Hope—N. M. Hasler, E. M. Spitzer.

Palmyra—Mrs. Mahlon Clem.

Winchester—E. W. Cather, R. A. Larrick.

Woods' Chapel—Louise Silvius, Francis Shifflet.

On motion, the following were invited to seats as deliberative members: Dr. L. E. Smith, C. E. Lovett.

Special Committees were appointed as follows:

Resolutions—Mrs. B. F. Frank, R. E. Short, J. S. Kagey.

Nominating—(To nominate six laymen delegates to S. C. C.) W. B. Fuller, E. A. Hillyard, R. Roy Hosaflook.

Press—W. J. Andes, Winona Morris, R. C. Myers.

K. B. Hook offered his letter of resignation as Director of Religious Education. The letter was accepted and a rising vote of thanks was given for his faithful services.

Moved and carried that the Conference hold a special prayer session for Rev. A. W. Andes, who was unable to attend conference because of sickness. Dr. L. E. Smith led the congregation in this prayer.

W. C. Wampler spoke on "Our Church Enterprises and Building the Kingdom."

Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College, spoke about Elon.

Adjourned for dinner. Rev. W. B. Fuller pronounced the benediction.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 2 p. m. by the president. Devotional exercises conducted by the Young People's Society of Mt. Olivet (G). Theme: "Building Character."

B. H. Samuel spoke on: "Evangelization as a Factor in Building the Kingdom."

Miss Thelma Morris spoke on "Young People in the Kingdom."

Miss Fern Driver sang a solo, "Does Jesus Care?"

Discussion, "Women in the Kingdom."

R. O. Rothgeb spoke on "Money in Building the Kingdom."

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your committee, submit the following:

1. We wish to thank the conference officials for the program of the day.
2. We appreciate the help and encouragement given by the speakers.
3. This body is indebted to the School Board for the use of the school building in which to hold this session, as the church was undergoing repairs. We also wish to thank the Church of the Brethren for offering their church and the Jr. O. W. A. M. for offering their hall.
4. To this church we give a rising vote of thanks for their splendid hospitality.

MRS. B. F. FRANK,

J. A. KAGEY,

R. E. SHORT,

Committee.

Adopted.

Dr. Smith spoke on "Giving to God His Share," and presented the campaign for Elon College.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

We, your committee, nominate the following delegates to the Southern Christian Convention: R. O. Rothgeb, E. Lena Rothgeb, W. C. Wampler, R. A. Larrick, W. A. Crawford, and Minnie Dofflemyre.

W. B. FULLER,

E. A. HILLYARD,

R. ROY HOSAFLOOK,

Committee.

Adopted.

Rev. Ivan R. Smith gave a few closing words.

On motion the conference adjourned.

R. L. WILLIAMSON, *President,*

W. J. ANDES, *Secretary, Pro Tem.*

CHURCH STATISTICS—VIRGINIA VALLEY CENTRAL CONFERENCE

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	SECRETARIES/AND ADDRESSES.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.	Conference Apportionments.	Amount Paid on Apportionments.	Home and Foreign Missions.	Amount Raised for Orphanage.	All Other Benevolences.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	All Other Expenses.	TOTAL.	Value of Church Property.
*†Antioch.....	M. L. Weekley...	E. A. Showalter, Harrisonburg, Va.	93	96	\$ 80.00	\$ 52.10	\$ 45.30	\$ 45.05	\$ 66.71	\$ 240.00	\$ 80.55	\$ 529.71	\$ 3,000
*†Bethel.....	A. W. Andes.....	Nannie Monger, Elkton, Va.	153	154	35.00	25.95	25.95	15.13	30.11	128.74	14.35	199.15	6,500
Bethlehem.....	M. L. Weekley...	Ella Pickering, Broadway, Va.	80	99	80.00	1.50	21.00	15.13	30.11	240.00	266.64	544.27	3,000
Concord.....	A. W. Andes.....	Mrs. R. L. Smith, Timberville, Va.	93	93	30.00	30.30	30.30	18.00	15.00	69.65	10.45	110.40	1,200
Dry Run.....	A. W. Andes.....	W. B. Burke, Seven Fountains, Va.	84	93	40.00	40.50	12.00	18.00	15.00	110.90	130.00	326.40	5,000
Island Ford.....	R. L. Williamson	Mrs. Lillian Marshall, Elkton, Va.	22	22	6.00	6.00	6.00	12.14	12.14	45.91	4.73	65.64	900
Joppa.....	A. W. Andes.....	Susie Duncan, Edinburg, Va.	55	54	15.00	15.00	5.00	12.02	7.00	288.01	140.62	540.15	5,500
*†Leaksville.....	A. W. Andes.....	R. O. Rothgeb, Luray, Va.	174	175	125.00	94.50	137.26	118.08	44.50	400.00	36.02	835.86	4,000
*†Linville.....	M. L. Weekley...	Sallie A. Payne, Harrisonburg, Va.	114	113	70.00	70.00	10.91	12.00	39.08	180.00	65.00	376.99	1,500
Mayland.....	R. L. Williamson	Mrs. S. M. Lohr, Broadway, Va.	111	111	25.00	25.00	9.35	26.55	30.00	180.00	20.00	335.90	2,000
*†Mt. Lebanon.....	R. L. Williamson	Mrs. Allene Kite, Shenandoah, Va.	174	171	70.00	70.00	9.35	26.55	30.00	180.00	20.00	335.90	2,000
*†Mt. Olivet (G.).....	R. L. Williamson	Thelma Morris, Dyke, Va.	104	112	25.00	19.85	1.89	4.11	3.00	94.30	55.26	175.11	3,000
*†Mt. Olivet (R.).....	A. W. Andes.....	Ethel Lam, Elkton, Va.	46	45	30.00	20.00	18.00	17.50	63.00	150.00	17.50	268.50	3,867
*†New Hope.....	M. L. Weekley...	H. E. Liskey, Penn Laird, Va.	162	168	75.00	50.50	29.31	19.93	3.00	230.80	23.85	348.39	2,000
*†Newport.....	A. W. Andes.....	C. S. W. Louderback, Shenandoah, Va.	70	68	20.00	20.25	4.65	2.65	2.00	45.50	17.25	96.30	1,200
Palmyra.....	A. W. Andes.....	Mrs. S. M. Oliphant, Edinburg, Va.	70	70	15.00	11.95	19.05	37.74	57.22	12.66	24.61	24.61	1,200
St. Peter's.....	A. W. Andes.....	Mrs. L. W. Synder, Elkton, Va.	235	225	80.00	40.00	19.05	37.74	57.22	280.00	70.00	504.01	6,000
*†Timber Ridge.....	Ivan R. Smith.....	W. E. Brill, Hooks Mill, W. Va.	86	70	25.00	10.11	142.26	66.61	25.00	100.00	125.16	216.12	45,000
*†Whistler's Chapel.....	R. L. Williamson	Edna L. Ettle, Mt. Jackson, Va.	216	215	100.00	83.11	142.26	66.61	25.00	597.50	125.16	216.12	45,000
*†Winchester.....	Ivan R. Smith.....	R. A. Larrick, Winchester, Va.	124	125	25.00	25.00	142.26	66.61	25.00	112.00	24.00	161.00	500
Woods' Chapel.....	R. L. Williamson	Ray Stroop, New Market, Va.	216	215	100.00	83.11	142.26	66.61	25.00	597.50	125.16	216.12	45,000
Totals.....			2422	2452	\$1071.00	\$ 811.51	\$ 455.08	\$ 395.37	\$ 370.37	\$3518.11	\$2298.16	\$7412.24	\$ 98,167

*Church has Missionary Society.

†Church has C. E. Society.

‡Church has Parsonage.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—VIRGINIA VALLEY CENTRAL CONFERENCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SUPERINTENDENT.	No. Officers and Teachers.	No. Pupils in School.	No. on Cradle Roll.	No. in Home Department.	Total Enrollment.	Total Raised During Year.
Antioch.....	E. A. Showalter, Harrisonburg, Va.....	8	58	4	4	74	\$ 148.94
Bethel.....	A. A. Dofflemeyer, Elkton, Va.....	13	158	.....	.....	171	197.05
Bethlehem.....	J. C. Bradford, Broadway, Va.....	15	70	11	12	108	32.56
Concord.....	Frank Derrow, Timberville, Va.....	8	38	5	.....	51	48.65
Dry Run.....	W. B. Burke, Seven Fountains, Va.....	8	35	10	.....	53	42.47
Island Ford.....	B. H. Samuels, Harrisonburg, Va.....	6	179	.....	.....	185	.....
Joppa.....	L. O. Crisman, Edinburg, Va.....	7	31	.....	.....	38	24.27
Leaksville.....	B. F. McDaniel, Luray, Va.....	9	83	19	.....	111	109.45
Linville.....	R. R. Hosaflook, Linville, Va.....	14	118	22	.....	154	315.37
Mayland.....	E. A. Hillyard, Broadway, Va.....	8	40	7	.....	55	57.48
Mt. Olivet (G.).....	E. S. Morris, March, Va.....	14	52	14	8	88	123.03
Mt. Olivet (R.).....	B. C. Shifflet, Elkton, Va.....	11	109	13	.....	133	66.86
New Hope.....	H. E. Liskey, Penn Laird, Va.....	7	43	8	1	59	74.00
Newport.....	Mabel Higgs, Shenandoah, Va.....	8	82	.....	.....	90	78.03
Palmira.....	Clarence Rush, Edinburg, Va.....	11	25	9	.....	45	30.18
Timber Ridge.....	V. C. Whitaker, High View, W. Va.....	14	60	20	5	99	80.25
Whistler's Chapel.....	W. K. Good, Quicksburg, Va.....	8	59	.....	.....	67	30.00
Winchester.....	Lev H. Hook, Winchester, Va.....	23	150	12	8	193	276.26
Woods' Chapel.....	J. N. Shifflett, New Market, Va.....	7	21	8	2	38	28.00
Totals.....	.....	199	1,411	162	40	1,812	\$1,763.85

Proceedings of the One Hundred Sixteenth Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

SOUTH NORFOLK CHRISTIAN CHURCH, SOUTH
NORFOLK, VA., OCTOBER 28-30, 1936.

FIRST DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference met in 116th Annual Session in the South Norfolk Christian Church, and was called to order at 10:00 o'clock by Rev. Robert Lee House, President. Song service led by Rev. J. F. Morgan. Prayer led by Dr. N. G. Newman.

ENROLLMENT.

The roll was called and the following ministers and delegates were enrolled:

Ministers—Revs, R. E. Brittle, Joe A. French, W. H. Garman, H. S. Hardcastle, Robert Lee House, I. W. Johnson, Elwood W. Jones, Carl R. Key, F. C. Lester, T. N. Lowe, J. E. McCauley, J. F. Morgan, N. G. Newman, G. A. Pearce, O. D. Poythress, L. E. Smith, John G. Truitt, J. H. Warren, R. A. Whitten, T. Fred Wright, W. D. Harward, Jesse H. Dollar, H. C. Hilliard.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—Mrs. W. E. Garrison, J. H. Godwin

Barrett's—

Berea (Nansemond)—Mrs. H. P. Harrell, Mrs. Gibson Wright.

Berea (Norfolk)—Mrs. F. N. Hall, D. W. Snow, Mrs. B. O. Hall.

Bethlehem—O. D. King, Mrs. O. D. King, Mrs. T. U. Savage, Mrs. J. E. Harris.

Burton's Grove—

Centerville—

Christian Temple—M. J. W. White, Dr. J. W. Manning, Mrs. G. C. Manson, Mrs. A. B. Jarvis.

Cypress Chapel—Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Jones, Mrs. A. E. Byrum.

Damascus—J. R. Corbitt Mrs. J. E. Corbitt.

Dendron—Mrs. W. D. Harward.

Elm Avenue—S. G. Kinch, Mrs. Stafford Beale.

Eure's—T. A. Eure, J. H. Lilley.

First, Norfolk—J. S. Kagey.

First, Portsmouth—Mrs. S. C. Hartung, Mrs. C. W. Parker, Mrs. J. E. Powell.

First, Richmond—Mrs. G. B. Ganzert, Mrs. H. G. Perks, J. T. Kernodle.

Franklin—Mrs. E. P. Jones, Mrs. J. E. Lawrence, E. L. Beale, Mrs. C. O. Byrd, Mrs. W. J. M. Holland.

Holy Neck—J. T. Rawles, R. C. Norfleet, J. O. Davidson, Miss Lillye Holland.

Holland—W. J. Holland, Holland Ballard, Mrs. J. T. Jones, Mrs. A. J. Holland.

Hopewell—Mrs. Willard Sobber.

Isle of Wight—M. T. Whitley, J. M. Roberts.

Ivor—Mrs. J. S. Bryant.

Johnson's Grove—

Liberty Spring—E. B. Rawles, I. T. Byrd, R. E. Rogers.

Mt. Carmel—E. W. Beale, Lizzie Bradshaw.

Mt. Zion—

Newport News—Mrs. R. L. House, Mrs. G. H. Givens, Mrs. W. B. Wililams.

New Lebanon—N. H. Savedge.

Ocean View—Mrs. L. F. Todd, Mrs. B. G. Harrell.

Oakland—Mrs. O. W. Newman, Mrs. E. L. Bowden, Mrs. J. Rollie Gayle, Mrs. C. W. Darden.

Oak Grove—W. C. Beamon, Emory Rountree.

Old Zion—C. C. Etheredge, Mrs. W. H. Garman, C. C. Etheredge, Jr.

Rosemont—H. R. Morrison, Mrs. D. D. Johnston.

Suffolk—Mrs. Annie Staley Calhoun, Mrs. John King, Col. J. E. West, Col. E. E. Holland.

Spring Hill—

South Norfolk—E. L. Beale, A. L. Hanbury.

Sarem—

Union, Southampton—

Union, Surry—R. T. Brittle.

Waverly—Miss Mabel Cox, Ellis Clarke.

Wakefield—W. C. Clarke.

Windsor—Mrs. J. M. Raby.

Address of Welcome by Rev. O. D. Poythress.

Response by Rev. T. Fred Wright.

The Report of the Executive Committee was read by the Secretary, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The committee has held more than one meeting to discuss Conference problems and offer advice, but no official action was taken.

The Chairman prepared and distributed to the ministers and officials of the Conference a questionnaire designed to make preparation in advance for an effective Conference program.

We prepared the program for this session of the Conference, which is herewith submitted as a part of this report.

ROBERT LEE HOUSE,
I. W. JOHNSON,
N. G. NEWMAN,
Committee.

Rev. Charles Eldred Shelton of Portsmouth, Rev. J. L. Neese of Reidsville, N. C., and Mr. T. J. Holland of Ga. were invited to seats as deliberative members.

The President announced the following Special Committees for this session:

Nominations—H. S. Hardcastle, J. E. McCauley, Carl R. Key.

Press—O. D. Poythress, F. C. Lester.

Resolutions—R. E. Brittle, Mrs. Joe French, Mrs. W. B. Williams.

Finance—J. T. Kernodle, J. H. Warren, Holland Ballard.

The Report of the Committee on Evangelism was read by Dr. John G. Truitt, Chairman.

Address by Dr. John G. Truitt.

On motion, the report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

The world stands in great need of God. Once it had on earth Jesus Christ to manifest Him to the world. Jesus established His Church to carry on His manifestation of God to the children of men. If the Church fails to show Him forth it fails utterly. If it does not preach His Gospel both in word and in deed it misses entirely the whole purpose for which it was founded. The heart of man hungers for God, and there is in the Gospel that which satisfies that hunger. As members of the Church and followers of Jesus Christ it is our duty to preach the Gospel. To do that is to evangelize our churches, our communities, by evangelizing the individuals therein. It is a big order. It is the humanly impossible task. But it is the order of the lowly Galilean. Never in the history of the human race has that order needed to be the consuming passion more than now.

Your committee has felt something of the urgency of this need, and sought to realize something of the responsibility imposed upon it by being your Committee on Evangelism. As soon as we were appointed we began immediately to set ourselves about the task of presenting Evangelism to the ministers and members of our Conference. We have not waited to just before the annual session of our Conference to undertake this work. We realize now more than ever before the need of awakening ourselves and our pastors, as well as our leading laymen both men and women, to the need of winning others to follow the Christ.

We wish to report that we sought to bring soul-winning to the attention of the churches of the Conference by many articles in *The Christian Sun*, by correspondence with all the ministers of the Conference, and by placing it definitely in each of the regular monthly meetings of the Pastors' Association. We have asked during the year each pastor to report monthly the number of persons won into their churches during the month. In this the pastors have cooperated splendidly. We held one special session of the ministers on the subject of Evangelism. At which time there was a discussion of needs, purposes, plans, and methods; and much of the literature, both in books and pamphlets, was displayed and reviewed. We have sought to help each pastor to be a leader of a soul-winning church, or churches. Our pastors have agreed that this is of paramount importance, and they have made serious efforts to do a good year of soul-winning. They have looked upon it as being one of the most essential parts of a well-rounded program.

We realize that our harvest is far from what it should be, but we believe we are headed in the right direction. No hearts are more burdened than ours that our total of persons won during the year is not greater than it is. We have asked for a first-place on our Conference program, not necessarily the first hour but a choice hour, in which we might come to grips with this vital problem. We covet the help of every member of the Conference.

We wish to recommend:

1. That we continue earnestly in prayer that the Lord may lay the burden of Evangelism, and the largest and best sense of the word, upon the hearts of all of us; that we may feel that we must win others to Him out of our love for Him, through and by His help, and because of their great need of Him.

2. That we commend our pastors for giving Evangelism a regular monthly consideration in their meetings, and urge them to continue to do so.

3. That we commend the laymen of our Conference, both men and women, leaders of our congregations, teachers in our Sunday schools, for bringing this matter to heart, and urge them to continue to do so during the Conference year.

4. The forming of a group in every church from among the laity who will make the winning of others a special concern of theirs during the year, and will make from time to time personal contacts with new prospects.

5. The reading and study of the Scriptures, and the best books on Evangelism; the discussion of same in small groups, classes, and prayer meetings of the church to increase enthusiasm for this work.

6. The making of a survey in each local church community, and the listing of men, women, and children who may be won to Christ and the Church.

7. The adaptation of and all methods, best suited to a local church, for the winning of others, such as: (1) an annual series of special evangelistic services in the church, (2) personal visitation and reception of new converts all along through the year, (3) special work by the Sunday school teachers, (4) decision days in the Sunday schools, (5) the pastors class, (6) and a special emphasis leading up to the Easter season.

8. That our pastors and church officials take a greater interest in keeping up with every individual member on their church rolls, realizing that as a denomination we have lost immeasurably by not keeping up with the whereabouts of our members, attending to their church letters, and carefully recording and keeping up with the names of all who unite with our churches.

It is the hope of your committee that we may make this a Consecration Conference, in which we all may seek to come nearer our Lord Jesus in true religion, conscious of His death on the cross of Cavalry for us and for the world, and with the full realization that His blessed Church is being tested as never before in all its history.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN G. TRUITT,
O. D. POYTHRESS,
Committee.

Address: "Effective Preaching in Eastern Virginia" by Rev. Robert Lee House, President.

Communion Service conducted by Dr. Elwood W. Jones, assisted by Drs. Charles Eldred Shelton and N. G. Newman, and ten deacons.

Benediction by Dr. Elwood W. Jones.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 2:00 o'clock. Song service led by Mr. W. H. Baker. Prayer led by Dr. Charles Eldred Shelton.

Report of Treasurer was read by Mr. W. E. MacClenny as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE EASTERN VIRGINIA
CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

1935		CONVENTION FUND.	
Oct. 29	Balance in Bank	\$	4.78
Nov. 8	Conference Collections		1,453.82
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			\$1,458.60
Nov. 26	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 4		1,455.00
1936			<hr/>
Oct. 26	Balance as per Bank	\$	3.60
1935		CONFERENCE FUND.	
Oct. 29	Balance in Bank	\$	57.55
Nov. 8	Conference Collections		272.75
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			\$ 330.30
Nov. 14	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 3	\$	56.85
27	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 10		5.00
1936			<hr/>
Jan. 7	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 2		4.00
Feb. 28	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 12		245.00
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			310.85
Oct. 26	Balance as per Bank	\$	19.45
1935		EDUCATIONAL FUND.	
Oct. 29	Balance: Active Account	\$	549.66
	Savings Account	\$	637.84
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			\$1,187.50
Oct. 31	By Check, Chas. W. Rountree's Agreement		25.00
Nov. 1	By Check, Mission Board Note, S. Norfolk Church		332.00
1936			<hr/>
Jan. 25	By Check, Mission Board Note, S. Norfolk Church		100.00
Feb. 3	By Check, S. W. Phillips, Elm Avenue Parsonage		100.00
May 15	By Check, Mission Board Note, S. Norfolk Church		500.00
June 15	By Check, Mission Board, on Hopewell Loan		60.00
Aug. 6	By Check, Mission Board Note, S. Norfolk Church		100.00
Sept. 19	By Check, S. W. Phillips, Elm Avenue Parsonage		100.00
Oct. 6	By Check, Chas. W. Rountree's Agreement		25.00
26	By Interest on Savings Acct. Dec. \$7.96, June \$8.06		16.02
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			\$2,545.52
1935			<hr/>
Dec. 6	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 11	\$	100.00
1936			<hr/>
Mar. 14	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 13		100.00
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			200.00
Oct. 26	Balance as per Bank		\$2,345.52
	Active Account	\$1,691.66	
	Savings Account	653.86	
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			\$2,345.52
1935		HOME MISSION FUND.	
Oct. 29	Balance in Bank	\$	9.01
Nov. 8	Conference Collections		1,204.13
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			\$1,213.14
18	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 1		1,000.00
1936			<hr/>
Oct. 26	Balance as per Bank	\$	213.14

1935 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FUND.

Nov. 8	Conference Collections	\$ 164.42
26	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 9	164.00

1936

Oct. 26	Balance as per Bank	\$.42
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1935 FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

Nov. 8	Conference Collections	\$ 541.85
26	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 6	541.00

1936

Oct. 26	Balance as per Bank	\$.85
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1935 CONVENTION MISSION FUND.

Nov. 8	Conference Collections	\$ 596.85
26	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 5	596.00

1936

Oct. 26	Balance as per Bank	\$.85
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1935 ELON COLLEGE FUND.

Nov. 8	Conference Collections	\$ 697.65
19	By Balance Conference Collections	375.00

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Mar. 9	By Check from Christian Temple	200.00
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Nov. 26	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 7	\$1,072.00
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Mar. 14	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 14	200.00
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Oct. 26	Balance as per Bank	\$.65
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1935 SUPERANNUATED FUND.

Nov. 8	Conference Collections	\$ 289.21
26	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 8	289.00

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Oct. 26	Balance as per Bank	\$.21
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1935 SPECIAL ACCOUNT.

Oct. 29	Balance in Bank	\$1,471.39
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May 12	By Check, Christian Temple	100.00
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	By Check, Suffolk Christian Church	375.00
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Sept 16	By Check, Christian Temple	50.00
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19	By Check, Suffolk Christian Church	375.00
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Oct. 6	By Check, Suffolk Christian Church	375.00
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Nov. 9	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 17	\$1,471.39
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May 21	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 15	100.00
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Oct. 26	Balance as per Bank	\$1,175.00
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RECAPITULATION.

	1935		Disburse-	1936
	Balance.	Receipts.	ments.	Balance.
Convention Fund	\$ 4.78	\$1,453.82	\$1,455.00	\$ 3.60
Conference Fund	57.55	272.75	310.85	19.45
Educational Fund	1,187.50	1,358.02	200.00	2,345.52
Home Missions Fund	9.01	1,204.13	1,000.00	213.14

Christian Education Fund	164.42	164.00	.42
Foreign Missions Fund	541.85	541.00	.85
Convention Missions Fund	596.85	596.00	.85
Elon College Fund	1,272.65	1,272.00	.65
Superannuated Fund	289.21	289.00	.21
Special Account	1,471.39	1,571.39	1,175.00
Totals	\$2,730.23	\$8,428.70	\$7,399.24 \$3,759.69

SCHEDULE OF BONDS AND BILLS RECEIVABLE.

Chas. W. Rountree's Agreement, Balance	\$ 200.00
T. Fred Wright's Note	500.00
J. Howard Smith, 2 notes for \$200 each	400.00
A. L. Granger, 2 notes for \$150 each	300.00
Aubrey C. Todd, 2 notes for \$150 each, 2 for \$100 each	500.00
Mission Board Note, secured by deed of trust on Elm Avenue Parsonage, Portsmouth, Va.	1,711.89
Mission Board Note, secured by deed of trust on Hopewell Christian Church, Hopewell, Va.	1,000.00
Mission Board Note, given for South Norfolk (Va.) Church	1,034.87
Total	\$5,646.76

The Bank Statements and Vouchers are with this report, and the above listed securities have been exhibited to the Secretary of the Conference on October 23, 1936; and are held in the vault of the Farmers Bank of Nansemond, subject to the order of the Conference. The bond of the Treasurer is still in force.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. MACCLENNY,
Treasurer.

At the request of Mr. W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, I beg to certify that he has on deposit in the Farmers Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Va., the balances as shown by this exhibit to the credit of the several funds, total \$3,759.69.

Signed in triplicate this 26th day of October, 1936.

H. M. HOLLAND,
Cashier.

On motion, the report was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Digest of Ministerial and Church Reports by the Secretary.

The report of the Historian was read by Mr. W. E. MacClenny, and was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN.

Not much has happened during the past year to mark our progress in our history. Some historical services have been held by individual churches commemorating some particular date.

One of the most important of these was the memorial service held at Berea, Norfolk County, commemorating the organization of that church as a Christian Church on August 15, 1871. This had originally been a Methodist Protestant Church, but after the war of 1861-65, they decided to join the Christian Church, and applied for membership in the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, under the leadership of Rev. J. N. Manning, who was laboring in that section. Since that time it has been one of the strong churches of the conference. For that occasion Bro. M. W. Hollowell prepared a valuable paper, which will no doubt be preserved.

Another service was held at the Christian Church at Isle of Wight C. H., commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of its organization, and the pastor, Rev. C. E. Gerring, prepared a most interesting paper on the fifty years of the church's history, which should be published in full at some time. There were some of the charter members present for that service, more than usual on such occasions.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. MACCLENNY,
Historian.

Mr. MacClenny next read the report of the Committee on Memoirs, which was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Your committee begs leave to report that only one minister of this conference has passed away in the past year so far as we are aware:

REV. JEREMIAH NATHANIEL CUTCHIN.

Rev. Jeremiah Nathaniel Cutchin was born in Isle of Wight County, Va., February 13, 1870, the son of Jeremiah and Cornelia Cutchin. He used his educational advantages to the best of his ability, and in 1924 he entered the full ministry of the Christian Church, and was duly ordained by a presbytery composed of Dr. W. D. Harward, W. W. Staley and Leon Edgar Smith, at Christian Temple, Norfolk, Va.

He served as pastor of Union (Southampton) for some time, and as supply pastor of Rosemont for some months in 1925, and did fine work supplying pulpits for a number of ministers in this section. He did a great work in many capacities in the Rosemont Church, but he will be especially remembered as teacher of the Men's Bible Class. The Rosemont church and the other churches served by him are grateful for the work he did for them. We may all thank God for such men of character and piety.

He was, at the time of his death, manager of the Parker Hardware Co. of South Norfolk, Va. He died at his home, 1205 Holly St., South Norfolk, on November 14, 1935, his funeral being conducted in Rosemont Christian Church, on November 16th, and the burial was in Riverside Memorial Park, in the presence of a large gathering of relatives and friends. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Capitola B. Lattimer Cutchin, one daughter, Mrs. Robert B. Rowland, and one son, Elton Cutchin of South Norfolk, besides other relatives.

DR. PETER JEFFERSON KERNODLE.

While it is not customary to include laymen in a report of this kind, yet under the circumstances, we feel it to be consistent, in view of his long and important service, to mention the loss that the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference and the Southern Christian Convention have sustained in the death of Dr. Peter Jefferson Kernodle.

He was the son of Lovick L. Kernodle and his wife Mary Michael, the daughter of David and Elizabeth Michael, his mother and father being married by Rev. William Artz, a Lutheran minister, February 9, 1854, and he was born on January 12, 1855, north of Reedy Fork in Guilford County, N. C. He came from that sturdy stock that originally settled that part of the state.

He attended the old field school near Ludwig Summers' Mill in 1861, was a student at Graham Institute in 1871, and in 1872 entered Trinity College (now Duke University), graduating with the B. A. degree in 1876. He received the M. A. Degree from the University of North Carolina in 1897, Master of Accounts in 1896, and the degree of Lit. D. from Elon College in 1927.

He began his teaching career at Gibsonville Academy, near his home, coming to the Suffolk Collegiate Institute in January, 1879. He revived the school and remained there until 1896. He taught at Smithdeal Business College in Rich-

mond, Va., 1897-1899. He was elected to the chair of Latin at Elon College in 1898, also taught science, and filled the chair of Mathematics there from 1903 till 1909.

While at the Suffolk Collegiate Institute most of the ministers of the Southern Convention came in contact with him as a teacher, while at Elon many of the later date learned of him. In 1879 he became Secretary of the Southern Christian Convention, and so remained until 1909, missing only one called session in that time. While in Suffolk he was superintendent of the Suffolk Christian Sunday School for seventeen years. He was the senior deacon of the Richmond Christian Church at the time of his death.

In 1889, he became the owner and publisher of *The Weekly Observer*, a secular paper which continued for some years. He became the managing editor of *The Christian Sun* in 1922, and continued until ill health forced him to resign in 1932. He wrote and published *The Lives of Christian Ministers* in 1910, one of the best books of the Christians South, *Revised Government and Principles of the Christian Church* was brought out by him, a *Latin Grammar* and *Kernodle's Arithmetic*, and he had gathered more data relative to the history of the Christian Church than any other man. We hope this may yet be used.

As a business man he engaged in several undertakings, and he was president of the Central Publishing Company, Richmond, Va., since 1911.

He made and laid the first brick in the ladies' dormitory on the S. W. corner of the Elon College campus on October 19, 1905. He was bursar of Elon College, treasurer of the Christian Orphanage, mayor of the town of Elon College, and secretary of one of the banks in Burlington, N. C. He was a mason.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Louise Nurney Kernodle, daughter of the late Deacon John T. Nurney and Sarah Norfleet Nurney, and one son, John T. Kernodle of Richmond, Va., now the publisher of *The Christian Sun*.

He passed away in Richmond, Va., September 12, 1936, after a long illness, and was buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Suffolk, Va., the next day in the presence of a large gathering of relatives and friends.

While he was not an orator, seldom appearing in public, yet for sound work in a quiet and unassuming way, he was known and respected far and wide. He was one of the prominent laymen produced by the Christian Church, South, loving his church and giving his best thought and service as well as his means for her upbuilding. May his mantle fall upon some worthy young member of the denomination.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. E. MACCLENNY,
Committee.

Report of Committee on Christian Education was read by Rev. J. E. McCauley, Chairman.

Address: "The Board of Education," by Rev. Joe A. French.

Address: "Adult Education," by Rev. Carl R. Key.

Address: "The Denominational Appeal," by Mr. W. H. Baker.

Address: "Youth Fellowship," by Rev. F. C. Lester.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

For several years the majority of your Committee on Christian Education in this conference has been composed of members of the Executive Committee of the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention of the conference. This year the Executive Committee of that convention composes the committee for the conference. This is as it should be, because the work of the two is the same.

For some time we have been trying to get training schools of the Conference available for every school and church within the bounds of the Conference. A school or a class is now available for every church and school. We regret to

report, however, that the interest in attendance is not as it should be. We would suggest that a re-thinking of our needs be manifested by getting our people to take these courses. If teachers have taken all the credit courses, the alternate couress in Bible are available each year.

During the year training schools have been conducted at Norfolk, Suffolk, Wakefield, Newport News, and a class made available for the Richmond church. Many of our teachers and officers have received credits for these courses. Your committee does not claim that the training schools are panaceas for all of our needs, but we do claim that they are helpful; and urge pastors, delegates and members of our churches and Sunday schools to give more cooperation to this work.

The Youth Fellowship is a vital factor in our religious work throughout the whole Southeast. The Eastern Virginia Youth Fellowship is among the best. We commend the work they are doing toward Christian Education and urge their hearty support by our local churches.

The Elon Training School was well attended by pupils from Eastern Virginia last summer. The wholesome influence that it is exerting in our Conference can be felt in most of the churches. No church will lose in the long run by investing in sending its young people there.

The Board of Christian Education, under the direction of Rev. Joe French of Ocean View, and Rev. F. C. Lester, 505 S. Main Street, Norfolk, Va., stands ready to lend help and advice in any way it possibly can. These brethren are anxious for you to use them in helping to promote the work of Christian Education.

Therefore, we recommend the following:

1. That we launch a new campaign in the field of Christian Education, beginning with the home by trying to get a more systematic study of the Word of God, family worship, and Christian study groups.

2. That we use our influence to enlarge our enrollment in Sunday School, and encourage the whole family to attend the church worship service. If we can get the parents to start the children attending these services as soon as they are old enough to understand right from wrong, so much the better.

3. That we jointly use our influence to get every church to try to support each of the above mentioned institutions whenever possible.

4. That we ask each church and Sunday school to try and raise its quota for all the enterprises of the church, especially the Board of Christian Education.

JOSEPH E. McCAULEY,
CARL R. KEY,
W. D. NASH,
F. C. LESTER,

Committee.

The Report of the Committee on Education was read by Dr. I. W. Johnson, Chairman.

Discussion by Col. J. E. West, I. W. Johnson and Dr. L. E. Smith.

Round Table discussion on Elon College led by Dr. L. E. Smith, President.

Report was amended by voting an additional \$200.00 loan to Rev. A. L. Granger, Jr. to be applied on his senior year expenses at Elon College.

It was moved and carried that the Committee on Education should consider the matter of preparing a course in the study of the History, Principles and Denominational Background of the Christian Church for use in Sunday Schools and College.

Report of Committee on Education was adopted, as amended, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Education had its origin in the minds of religious leaders. Christianity laid the foundation of many great institutions of learning. Under the influence of secular minded teachers and adventurous psychological thinkers the methods and materials of education have been subjected to frequent revision and change. For a generation the special emphasis has been laid upon philosophy and psychology. Science holds a prominent place, while religion has been relegated to a place of secondary importance. Political economy enters the field with conflicting theories of economic salvation. Students are bewildered by the confusion of tongues challenging them to unite their forces in making a New World.

Philosophy presents many arguments, but never settles its difficulties nor gives a final answer to its questions. Psychology makes its investigations and draws its conclusions from changing assumptions. Science makes new discoveries and discards many old theories. Uncharted seas beckon bold adventurers. The flying machine age challenges youth to leave the highways and old paths to seek new thrills in conquest. Youth is being taught to discard the old and accept the new. Under such conditions Christianity, in part because of its age, suffers as a competitor. But when the final survey is made, Christianity will establish its claim to be the fore-runner of all modern research and social advancement. In fact, Christianity is more up to date than the latest scientific discovery. Jesus Christ, the Greatest Teacher, is far in advance of all other teachers and social leaders. The Church should keep Him in the midst of the schools, colleges and universities. The Christian basis of education is the hope of our intellectual salvation. Church schools should be Christian in aim and achievement.

Elon College is the center of our educational interests. Its steady growth is a source of pride and encouragement. The program to pay off the present indebtedness should have the hearty support of our constituency. We commend the college for its work and urge our people to patronize it as an institution of learning. We urge the churches to pay the Conference Apportionment for Elon College Fund in full.

No provision is made for an Apportionment for Ministerial Education at the present time. The funds on hand are sufficient for our present needs, but we urge the prompt payment of notes held by the Treasurer of this Department, as they fall due, that sufficient funds may be provided for future needs. We recommend that the Treasurer be authorized to solicit payments of interest and

The following persons are on the roll of Licentiates: Revs. D. D. Nash, S. W. Phillips, A. L. Granger, Jr., Aubrey C. Todd, L. E. Huber, Herbert G. Council, Jr., and Mrs. H. C. Caviness.

notes when due.

LICENTIATES.

Revs. A. L. Granger, Jr., and Herbert G. Council, Jr., are pursuing studies in Yale Divinity School; Aubrey C. Todd is a student in Chicago Theological Seminary.

We recommend that Revs. A. L. Granger, Jr., and Herbert G. Council, Jr., be granted a loan of \$200.00 each from the Educational Fund to assist them in their work.

BIBLICAL CLASS.

Emanuel S. Hedgebeth is in the Sophomore Class at Elon College, and is doing satisfactory work. We recommend that he be granted a loan of \$150.00, and allowed a credit of \$90.00 on room and board from the Ministerial Trust Fund.

After due examination, we recommend that Mr. Ellis Clarke, a member of Waverly Christian Church, be admitted to the Biblical Class. He is a high school graduate and has been highly recommended by his church. He plans to enter Elon College this year, and we recommend that he be given credit for \$90.00 on room and board from the Ministerial Trust Fund.

In a recent letter from Rev. H. C. Caviness, he stated that he and his wife have united with the Baptist Church. We recommend that their names be dropped from the roll of ministers.

We recommend that Rev. Jesse H. Dollar of the Georgia Conference, Rev. H. E. Crutchfield of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, and Rev. H. C. Hilliard of the Eastern North Carolina Conference, be enrolled as Elders on letters of transfer to this conference.

We recommend that Rev. C. E. Gerringer and Dr. W. M. Jay be granted letters of transfer to the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

We recommend that any minister desiring to transfer his membership to another denomination be required to file notice of such purpose with the proper officials of the Conference before making said transfer; and that any minister who fails to comply with this requirement shall be liable to expulsion from the Conference.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Cash in Farmers Bank of Nansemond:

Active Account	\$ 1,691.66	
Savings Account	653.86	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,345.52

Notes:

C. W. Rountree Agreement, balance	\$ 200.00	
T. Fred Wright	500.00	
J. Howard Smith	400.00	
A. L. Granger, Jr.	300.00	
Aubrey C. Todd	500.00	
Elm Avenue Church, Parsonage	1,711.89	
Hopewell Church	1,000.00	
Southern Convention Mission Board ...	1,034.81	
	<hr/>	5,646.70

Total Cash and Notes	\$ 7,992.22
Ministerial Trust Fund, Elon College	3,000.00

Total Assets	\$ 10,992.22
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Respectfully submitted,

I. W. JOHNSON,
H. S. HARDCASTLE,
JOHN G. TRUITT,
F. C. LESTER,
W. M. JAY,

Committee.

Conference adjourned till the evening session.

Benediction by Dr. N. G. Newman.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 7:15 o'clock. Special music by the church choir. Prayer led by Rev. J. E. McCauley.

Address: "The Problems of Church Attendance," by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle.

Address: "Church Finance," by Mr. Jack Nurney.

Address: "Lay-Leadership," by Dr. I. W. Johnson.

Benediction by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle.

SECOND DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 9:30 o'clock. Song service conducted by Rev. G. A. Pearce. Prayer led by Rev. T. N. Lowe.

Report of Committee on Nominations was read by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Chairman. The following persons were nominated for the respective offices and elected for the ensuing year:

Rev. Robert Lee House, President; Dr. J. E. Rawles, Vice-President; Dr. I. W. Johnson, Secretary; Mr. W. H. Baker, Assistant Secretary; Mr. W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer.

Report of the Committee on Religious Literature was read by Rev. Joe A. French, Chairman.

Address on Religious Literature by Rev. F. C. Lester.

General discussion of the Report by Rev. Joe A. French.

Address: "The Christian Sun," by Rev. F. C. Lester, Editor.

It was moved and carried that Rev. N. G. Newman be News Reporter for the Conference.

The Report on Religious Literature was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Of all the books the Bible remains the best seller. But no one would seriously contend that the Bible is the best read of the mass of literature coming from the press. A recent survey of newspaper readers indicates that 77 per cent of them belong to the church. Probably 75 per cent of the church members of this Conference get a daily newspaper, which means that 75 per cent of our church people read the daily paper. In contrast to this, less than 10 per cent of the families receive *The Christian Sun*.

A pastor needs only to observe the different kinds of magazines found in the homes of his parish to realize that there is great need for a better type of literature in our homes. It would be interesting to know what per cent of our church membership read the Bible or devotional literature regularly.

Your committee recommends:

1. That each pastor suggest to his church some method of regular Bible reading, keeping the congregation reminded of the plan.

2. That each church select a person whose duty it shall be to secure subscriptions to *The Christian Sun*, *The Pilgrim Highroad*, and periodicals published by the Congregational Publishing Society.

3. That the pastors secure and distribute the "Handbook" to their people; provide and urge the use of devotional literature, and use *The Fellowship of Prayer* during the Lenten season.

4. That pastors insist on our Sunday schools using the literature published by our own church.

5. That our pastors acquaint themselves with the mass of worship materials and enrich their services of worship with the appropriate use of these materials.

JOE A. FRENCH,
MRS. W. B. WILLIAMS,
Committee.

Report of Committee on Home Missions was read by Col. J. E. West, Chairman.

Address: "The Missionary Imperative," by Rev. Joe A. French.

Report was discussed by Col. J. E. West, and Dr. L. E. Smith.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Thirty-five years ago the conference made a very strong appeal for Missions and adopted a more aggressive policy for the establishment of churches in the cities, a majority of the churches having always been in rural sections. Using 1935 figures, the results indicate the wisdom of the new policy. Then we had 33 churches with a membership of 4,937, Sunday school enrollment 2,673, value of church property \$105,300, and total amount raised for all purposes \$20,309. Now we have 44 churches, membership 9,887, Sunday school enrollment 6,711, value of church property \$1,144,500, and total amount raised for all purposes \$113,995.

The demands of extensive building programs by churches and denominational institutions so overtaxed the financial resources of the membership that we probably neglected evangelism, church extension, and the full development of all phases of church work to such an extent that the conference has stopped growing and demands our most prayerful consideration. People who declare that, "Christian is a sufficient name for the Church," should be leaders and not followers in solving Kingdom problems.

As to growth, we suggest the following:

1. As soon as consistent with the reduction of the debt burden on a few of our weak churches, conference missions should be invested largely in men instead of buildings, forming of voluntary pastorates, strengthening of weak churches, and the development of trained leadership in every local church.
2. There must be an intense spiritual development of the local church.
3. Some of our ministers should catch the pioneer spirit and establish new churches.
4. All pastorates should have a parsonage, and building of churches should be almost entirely on the "pay as you go" plan.
5. Churches desiring aid for building or support of pastor, should consult this committee in advance of application for same.
6. On account of the limited funds of this committee, we suggest that the Mission Board of the Southern Christian Convention continue to assist mission points not self-supporting and organize new churches in the undeveloped territory of this conference.
7. We commend the work of the Woman's Mission Board and urge our men to increased activity along missionary lines, both as to contributions and the study of missions.

In consideration of the pledge of South Norfolk Church to pay annually all current expenses and to raise not less than eighteen hundred (\$1,800.00) dollars annually on curtail and interest on mortgage and bank indebtedness, we recommend the appropriation of one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars to that church, same to be paid to the Prudential Insurance Company of America. We recommend that all Home Mission funds in excess of this amount be appropriated to the Newport News Church, to be applied on mortgage indebtedness of said church.

J. E. WEST,
J. F. MORGAN,
E. L. BEALE,

Committee.

It was voted that the records show that the appropriation made to the First Church, Norfolk, was not paid.

Devotional period led by Rev. F. C. Lester; topic: "God, Our Helper."

Conference adjourned for lunch.

Benediction by Rev. F. C. Lester.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 2:00 o'clock. Song service conducted by Rev. O. D. Poythress. Prayer led by Rev. J. M. Roberts.

Report of the Woman's Missionary Conference read by Mrs. John G. Truitt, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

The Twenty-fourth Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Conference was held at the Suffolk Christian Church, Suffolk, Va., Friday, October 2, 1936, Mrs. J. Monroe Harris, President, presiding.

An interesting and inspiring program was presented, the theme being: "Broadcasting Christ's Message."

The Treasurer reported the following receipts:

Women's Societies	\$3,367.76
Young People	931.64
Juniors	387.70
Cradle Roll	86.06
Offering District Meetings	83.06
Offering Young People's Conference	13.31
Refund Delegates' Expenses, So. Convention .	14.00
Conference Offering, 1935	29.08
Total	\$4,912.61

The Nominating Committee presented the following slate of officers, who were elected by the conference for the year 1936-'37:

President—Mrs. J. Monroe Harris.

First Vice-President—Mrs. Russell T. Bradford.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. B. D. Jones.

Secretary—Mrs. H. P. Harrell,

Treasurer—Mrs. J. M. Raby.

Superintendent of Young People—Miss Caroline Gort.

Superintendent of Literature—Mrs. J. E. Cartwright.

Superintendent of Cradle Roll—Mrs. F. M. Nelson.

Superintendent of Spiritual Life—Mrs. A. B. Jarvis.

Superintendent of Life and Memorial Memberships—Mrs. J. C. Ellis.

The Young People's Missionary Conference met at the Suffolk Christian Church on Friday evening, September 25, 1936. Miss Frances Everett, President, presided. An excellent program, based on the theme: "The Trail the Negro Travels," was presented.

The following officers were elected for the year 1936-'37:

President—Miss Frances Everett.

Vice-President—Miss Lorraine Halstead.

Secretary—Miss Ruby Piland.

Assistant Secretary—Miss Lois Harrell.

All of which is submitted for the approval of this conference.

MRS. JOHN G. TRUITT,
Committee.

Report of the Christian Missionary Association was read by Rev. J. F. Morgan, President and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

The Christian Missionary Association began its work in 1892, under the auspices of the Southern Christian Convention. It remained a part of the Southern Convention for seventeen years, contributing during that time \$14,862, an average per year of \$874. The smallest amount was the first year, \$155.00, and the largest amount was in 1904, \$1,767.00.

In 1909, the Christian Missionary Association became an organization of the Eastern Virginia Conference and has met every year since. The contributions since the association has been a part of this conference have been as follows:

1909, \$1,025; 1910, \$990; 1911, \$885; 1912, \$1,180; 1913, \$1,250; 1914, \$1,085; 1915, \$1,144; 1916, \$1,015; 1917, \$1,501; 1918, \$1,670; 1919, \$1,343; 1920, \$1,990; 1921, \$2,195; 1922, \$1,455; 1923, \$1,450; 1924, \$2,060; 1925, \$2,065; 1926, \$1,780; 1927, \$1,810; 1928, \$1,825; 1929, \$1,815; 1930, \$1,616; 1931, \$1,140; 1932, \$820; 1933, \$900; 1934, \$900; 1935, \$900.

The grand total since the association has been a part of this Conference is \$36,625, an average per year of about \$1,060. The smallest amount raised during this period was in 1932, \$820, and the largest was \$2,195, in 1921.

This money has gone to the aid of quite a number of churches in their times of greatest need, and has made it possible for home missionaries to do a number of helpful pieces of work. The record of the Christian Missionary Association is sufficient for approval and deserves to be supported by all who are interested in the continuance of this Home Missionary work in our conference.

The next meeting of the association will be at the Liberty Spring Church on December 8, 1936, at 10:30 a. m. It is hoped that a large attendance of members will be there and that our offerings will be much larger than they were last year.

Sincerely,

J. F. MORGAN, *President*.

Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was read by Dr. Elwood W. Jones, Chairman.

Address on Foreign Missions by Dr. Elwood W. Jones.

General discussion by Dr. I. W. Johnson, N. G. Newman, Col. J. E. West, Rev. O. D. Poythress and Rev. F. C. Lester.

Report on Foreign Missions adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

A recent letter from our Mission Secretary, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, informs your Committee on Foreign Missions that the Southern Convention contributed last year the sum of \$6,620.81 to our United Church Missionary Work abroad, including Porto Rico. This amount represents what the Southern Convention gave toward a total of \$1,036,140.35, contributed by 4,702 of the 6,209 Congregational Christian Churches of the United States, to bring the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ to our foreign parish of over 60,000,000 people. These people whom we thus seek to help, tried to help themselves and others in this blessed work by giving \$700,000.00.

The amount thus given enabled 481 missionaries to carry on the great Christian adventures. They are colleagues of 6,465 national or native leaders in a growing world Christian movement. It is interesting to note in this connection that the number of American missionaries, 481 as listed above, is thirteen less than the number of 494 in active service the previous year, a decrease here; but the 6,465 national workers number 432 more than the 6,033 reported a year ago.

The latest bulletin of the American Board states: "The largest Congregational Church in the world is at Bailundo, West Africa, with a membership of 11,000. It is not only self-supporting, but self-propagating. In the past twenty years, this church has grown from less than 1,000 members. The secret is found in the large group of voluntary workers who preach each Sunday in surrounding villages. The American Board supports Rev. Daniel A. Hastings, whose responsibility is the training of these African leaders in religious education."

These words from the 1935 bulletin of the American Board are still applicable: "As rapidly as work can be supported in a local area, we are freed to pioneer into spheres of work that have long waited for help. The Board never had so many opportunities for service. Appeals for help and needs unanswered are cause for serious concern to every Christian. They await your own response and that of your church."

The Board states its continuing purpose in these words, "To enrich the life of the world in all its areas with the love of Jesus. To cooperate with national Christians in other lands in the spirit of love." Surely this is in harmony with the purpose of Jesus, who bade His disciples to "go unto all the world and preach the gospel to all people."

As we seek to carry on our divinely appointed task of enlisting all persons in our parishes under the banner of Jesus Christ, we realize that our field of service reaches out to the needy places within the bounds of our conference, and of the Southern Convention. This we need to do and we are doing something about it. Our task is not completed, however, until, lifting up our eyes and looking out upon the fields of the world, white unto the harvest, we seek to do our utmost for them also. The spiritually needy in all the world need us, and we need them. The unmistakable evidences of world unrest emphasize the wide need of the healing touch of the Divine hand.

Your committee, therefore, recommends:

1. That we recognize the inherently spiritual character of world-wide missions by praying daily for the work and the workers in all lands.
 2. That we accept the missionary apportionment to our churches as the minimum basis of our giving, and endeavor to give as much more as we can.
 3. That we continue to emphasize the special missionary offering in the church, the gifts to missions through the duplex envelopes, and the monthly mission offerings in the Sunday school.
 4. That the cent-a-meal plan of contributing to missions be given a chance to prove its value in the homes of our people in deepening the spiritual life, increasing the number of givers, and enlarging the sum total of missionary giving.
 5. That our people be urged to subscribe for and read *The Missionary Herald at Home and Abroad* for convincing accounts of the work of our missionaries.
- Congregational and Christian Missions*,¹ also *Custodians of the Pilgrim Spirit*, contain valuable missionary information and may be had for the asking by addressing the office of Dr. Atkinson.
6. That we recognize with gratitude the great missionary work being done in our conference by the Woman's Young People's, Willing Workers, and Cradle Roll Missionary Societies, in their field of missionary education, and in their material gifts. To them, in the noble work they are doing, we pledge our hearty cooperation.

ELWOOD W. JONES,
T. F. WRIGHT,
MRS. JOHN G. TRUITT,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that provision be made by the Executive Committee to have the plot where the Lebanon Marker is located cleaned up each year.

The Report of the Committee on Ministerial Ethics was read by Dr. N. G. Newman, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL ETHICS.

We believe that the ministry is the highest and holiest of all callings, and that the Gospel of Jesus Christ preached in its purity and power is the only thing that can save this generation from moral and spiritual bankruptcy. We believe that the pulpit is still the citadel of the minister's power, and that the power of his message depends upon his personal relation to God and men.

We, therefore, recommend:

1. That our ministers be pure in heart, chaste in speech, and prudent in social contacts; and that they study, pray and worship until they have such an experience with God as will give assurance to the message and power to its delivery.
2. That our ministers be prudent in making financial obligations and exercise the strictest fidelity in meeting the same.
3. That our ministers recognize the spiritual value of Christian brotherhood, and seek to strengthen each other by brotherly intercourse and fellowship. We believe that the Ministers' Association of this conference is a great help to this end, and we recommend that all of our ministers attend the monthly meetings.
4. That this Conference continue to guard sacredly the portals of the ministry, that only the competent and worthy be admitted, and that it keep a jealous watch over the character and reputation of its ministers that the worthy may be protected and the unworthy excluded.

Respectfully submitted,

N. G. NEWMAN,
M. W. HOLLOWELL,
M. J. W. WHITE,

Committee.

Conference adjourned till the evening session.

Benediction by Dr. L. E. Smith.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 7:20 o'clock. Prayer led by Dr. John G. Truitt.

Address on "Supporting the Orphanage" by Mr. J. R. Morrison.

Address: "Three Battles," by Mr. Chas. D. Johnston, Superintendent.

Sermon: "Our Lord's Prayer For Us," by Rev. J. E. McCauley.

Benediction by Rev. Robert Lee House.

THIRD DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 9:30 o'clock. Song service conducted by Rev. J. F. Morgan. Prayer led by Rev. H. C. Hilliard.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

The report of Mr. R. C. Norfleet was read, as follows, and on motion referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF COLLECTOR.

	Conference Missions	Conference Fund	Convention Fund	Convention Missions	Foreign Missions	Elon College Fund	Superannuate Fund	Christian Education
Antioch	\$ 10.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 1.70	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00
Barrett's	5.00							
Berea, Nansemond ..	25.00	4.00	25.00			80.00	6.00	5.00
Berea, Norfolk	20.00	10.00	15.00	35.00	20.00	40.00	10.00	5.00
Bethlehem	40.00	10.00	50.00	25.00	25.00	84.40	5.00	5.60
Burton's Grove	2.00	1.00	2.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	3.00
Centerville	3.00	3.00	2.00	3.00	3.00		1.00	
Christian Temple ..	150.00	20.00	225.00	175.00	175.00	350.00	89.38	40.00
Cypress Chapel	9.00	8.00	11.00	8.00	7.00	7.00		
Damascus	10.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	3.00	2.00
Dendron	5.00	3.00	5.00					2.00
Eure		10.00						
Elm Avenue	10.00	5.00	10.00	1.00	1.00	10.00	2.00	1.00
First, Norfolk	40.00	10.00	50.00			50.00	4.00	10.00
First, Portsmouth ..								
First, Richmond ...	35.00	5.00	40.00	12.30		26.60		7.10
Franklin	73.00	15.00	85.00			119.99	35.00	
Holland	74.00	15.00	85.00	12.86	12.87	153.96	35.00	15.00
Holy Neck	40.00	10.00	50.00	5.82	5.83	74.00	14.00	10.00
Hopewell								
Isle of Wight	10.00	1.00	6.00	4.00	3.00	14.00	2.00	1.00
Ivor		10.00	15.00					
Johnson's Grove ...	3.00	3.00	2.49	2.88	2.88			
Liberty Spring	40.00	10.00	50.00	35.16	35.16	58.00	10.00	10.00
Mt. Carmel	32.50	5.00	32.50					
Mt. Zion								
Newport News	20.00	15.00	20.00			20.00	20.00	5.00
New Lebanon				7.00	10.00		5.00	3.00
Ocean View		5.00	12.00			9.00		3.00
Old Zion		20.00						
Oak Grove	10.00	6.00	8.00	8.00		5.00	5.00	2.26
Oakland	35.00	5.00	40.00	7.13	7.14	100.00	20.00	10.00
Rosemont	60.00	10.00	70.00			121.00	2.00	5.00
Suffolk	300.00	30.00	400.00	111.30	111.30	384.37	88.00	75.00
South Norfolk	30.00	10.00	35.00			55.00	15.00	5.00
Spring Hill	8.00	5.51	5.00			5.00	5.00	5.00
Sarem	5.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	2.00
Union, South.	2.00	3.00	4.10					
Union, Surry	5.00	3.00	3.00		1.25	15.00	2.50	
Waverly		10.00						
Wakefield	3.00	5.00	5.00			5.00		2.00
Windsor	30.00	5.00	35.00	5.00	5.00	12.00	3.00	5.00
Epworth Mission ...		5.00						

Totals\$1144.50 \$308.51 \$1408.99 \$480.55 \$447.43 \$1822.02 \$392.91 \$243.96

Grand Total ...\$6248.87

R. C. NORFLEET,
Collector.

The Report of the Committee on Temperance and Moral Reform was read by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Chairman. Round table discussion led by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle. Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE AND MORAL REFORM.

The soul of reform is the reform of the soul. We can change society only by changed men. There can be no ultimate reformation without inner transformation. As Paul says we are to be transformed by the renewing of our minds, by the renewing of our inner lives. Men cannot be made good by law, but by grace. Human processes cannot produce a Christian society; only the regenerating power and processes of God can do that.

But the Church of Christ must be concerned with moral reform. The environment in which men live, the conditions under which they work, the ideals which are accepted by the society in which they live and labor, the morals and the customs of the age in which they live deeply influence the souls of men and help to fashion their personality. Because Christianity is concerned with the nurture and development of Christian personality, it must be concerned with the factors and forces that play upon personality. The Christian Church, that is the Church of Christ, must patiently and sacrificially labor to establish a Christian social order, in which the ideals of character and conduct are in keeping with the spirit of Christ. The Church must be militant, not in the sense that it uses armed force, but in the sense that it aggressively and actually opposes every custom or institution that cramps or cripples personality, and sponsors or supports every agency that helps to build personality. By the influence of the lives of its members, by its educational processes, by its hearty support, by its spiritual impact upon social life, it must seek to reform the individual and the social life of its constituency and of the larger community. In other words the Church is about the Master's business when it gives itself to moral reform. We present briefly some phases or fields of modern life which are legitimate, and in some cases critical realms of social reform.

There is, of course, the liquor traffic. There can be no compromise between the Church of Christ and this traffic. In spite of the fact that our nation in a mood of disillusionment repealed the Eighteenth Amendment, the liquor problem is essentially the same. Because a thing is legally right does not make it morally right. The Church is not to take as its ideal in this the law of the State, but the law of the Spirit. The liquor traffic is just as much an outlaw in the sight of God whether it is legal or illegal. Many members of the Church have conveniently forgotten this vital fact. Bishop Ainsworth recently said of the Methodist Church what he could just as well have said of the Church of Christ—"the United States is too small for the Methodist Church and the liquor traffic to exist together in peace." The liquor traffic is growing. The withdrawals of distilled liquors from bonded warehouses during the past year, not by estimate but by actual statistics of the government were, the largest since 1917 when cellars were stocked in anticipation of national prohibition. And the end is not yet. Indeed it is just beginning. Any one who thinks that drinking will decrease and that the liquor problem will become less of a problem unless the Church of Christ and the forces of righteousness arise and assert themselves, are ignorant of or blind to the facts. The habit-forming power of alcoholic drinks, the power of modern high-powered advertising methods to create an artificial demand for liquor, the highly financed propaganda of the liquor interests, high pressure salesmanship, the general apathy of the average citizen to the moral factor involved, the inevitable corruption that is inherent in liquor itself, will inevitably stimulate the consumption of liquor. The worst is yet to come unless something is done to destroy this terrible evil. And church folks are the folks to do something about it. It was because church people were apathetic that we lost so many of the gains of

national prohibition. It is only as they become enthusiastic and crusading again that we can make our nation sober. We urge our Conference to go on record against the liquor traffic, and by personal abstinence on the part of individual members, by sound educational methods, by organized support of temperance agencies, and by the enactment of sound legislation, and the legitimate use of every spiritual force, to wage a war to the finish against the liquor traffic.

Gambling goes on openly and flagrantly, and in more subtle and insidious ways. It is a disintegrating force in many lives personally and it is becoming a social menace. Its insidious spirit has invaded even the church. The tragic thing is that many people have no moral scruples in the matter. One would have a difficult time to convince them that gambling is an evil in itself and in its social implications. As members of the church we should keep our record clean at this point, and give our support to every measure designed to eliminate this social evil.

The movies have been doing some house-cleaning, and the results have been apparent and praise-worthy. It is an evidence of the power of mobilized public opinion, and thanks are due to our Catholic friends who did a great work in crystalizing this public opinion. But there still remains much to be done. The movies are perhaps the most influential factor in American life outside of the church and the school—in some cases they are even more effective than these agencies—and the church cannot be indifferent toward what is offered to the public when one considers how many millions of people frequent movie houses, and especially how many of these millions are children. Let us support legislation designed to eliminate the evils of block-booking, let us refuse to support inferior pictures, let us cooperate with local moral operators in an effort to give the public only the best.

The field of modern literature offers a fertile field for moral reform. There is so much that is not trivial, but positively trashy. And worse. Only recently the Director of Public Safety in the city of Norfolk made a list of twenty-seven magazines that had a ban placed upon them, because they were considered by him unfit for circulation. The Church should develop a conscience on such matters, and make an aggressive effort to prevent the sale of such materials. It should also overcome evil with good by creating an interest in and a desire for better reading matter. A love for the best is the most effective antidote against the worst.

The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. But it was made to be used, not abused. The Church is facing the constant encroachment by secular and commercial interests on the Lord's Day. The day is increasingly becoming a holiday instead of a holy day. The Church must face this issue and preserve this day as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land. Parents need to be more Christian in the observance of the day. It is not enough that it be kept negatively; it must be used positively.

Of the rest there is no end—the mounting rate of divorce, the increasing use of cigarettes by women and even young girls, the growth of organized crime, the rising tide of narrow nationalism and the growing sentiment toward militarism, the all too liberal views that prevail in regard to the relations between the sexes—these and other kindred things constitute a challenge to the church of Christ to make His ideals and His spirit effective in modern life. Brethren we have been called to holiness. Let us walk worthy of the calling wherewith we have been called.

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. HARDCASTLE,
CHAS. ELDRED SHELTON,
S. W. PHILLIPS,
Committee.

Report of Committee on Stewardship was read by Rev. R. A. Whitten, Chairman.

Address on Stewardship by Rev. G. A. Lawless of the Disciples Church, Portsmouth.

Address by Dr. L. E. Smith.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE STEWARSHIP COMMITTEE.

Your committee submits the following report:

The subject of stewardship is a much discussed subject in reports at Conference, in sermons, and in printed articles, but as Mark Twain said about the weather, "Little has ever been done about it." Many of us, after hearing, or reading some fine address on the subject, have felt the conviction of heart that we should assume our obligation, but too many, life Felix, have said, "Go thy way for this time, when I have a more convenient season, I'll call for thee."

Your committee believes that the Bible teaches nothing plainer, than it teaches Stewardship. Stewardship is not optional with the individual, whether he be Christian, or non Christian, *all are stewards*. No man, whether he be rich or poor, learned or ignorant, young or old, can escape the fact that, God is owner of everything, and whatever any man has in his possession, of time, talents, or wealth, belong to God and man is merely the custodian of that which rightfully belongs to another.

After a careful and prayerful study of the matter, and feeling concerned about our duty, we will find that only two courses are open to us. Namely, since all of us are stewards, whether we will be good stewards or bad ones. Jesus (Luke 12) said "Who then is that faithful and wise steward." Therefore, I am to decide whether I will be faithful or unfaithful regarding my stewardship.

We believe that the first mark of a good steward is that he recognize that he is a steward. To the good steward, God offers ample reward in this life and in the life to come. Stewardship includes the whole of life. In our eagerness to impress our people with the responsibility of their stewardship, we have, perhaps, emphasized one phase of the subject and too often neglected other phases equally important, namely, the stewardship of wealth. It is true that this is most important and very essential and no Christian has experienced the real joy of being a Christian until he has learned and practiced the art of stewardship through his gifts. But before one can know that experience, he must first learn that he is a steward of the Lord, and not only does he hold whatever wealth he may have as custodian, but his time also, and his talents as well. All has God given and one day we shall give an account unto Him of our stewardship.

Your committee therefore would recommend, that we admonish our people to give a diligent study of the Bible that we may learn what we owe God as His stewards, and how we shall pay it, in the use of our time and the development of our talents, and our obligation to Him concerning our gifts.

That we urge our people to be more prayerful that we may become more Christ-like in every relation of life and more useful in His Kingdom service.

We suggest, and heartily commend, a well tried and most successful plan. One that has deepened the Spiritual life of countless numbers of those who, have tried and proved the joy and satisfaction in the practice of the plan, the giving of a tithe, or one tenth of income for the Lord's Work.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT A. WHITTEN,
J. H. WARREN,
G. A. PEARCE,
W. H. GARMAN,

Committee.

Report of Committee on Apportionments was read by Mr. A. L. Jolly, Chairman, and on motion adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS, 1936-'37.

	Conference Missions	Conference Fund	Convention Fund	Convention Missions	Foreign Missions	Elon College Fund	Superannuate Fund	Christian Education	Christian Orphanage	Totals
Antioch	\$ 35	\$ 5	\$ 40	\$ 40	\$ 40	\$ 100	\$ 20	\$ 10	\$ 25	315
Barrett's	10	2	12	12	14	35	5	5	15	110
Berea, Nansemond.	25	6	25	25	25	80	6	5	100	297
Berea, Norfolk ...	30	5	35	35	35	85	15	5	30	275
Bethlehem	40	15	50	50	50	150	30	10	100	495
Burton's Grove ...	10	2	10	10	10	25	5	3	10	85
Centerville	5	3	5	5	5	15	5	2	10	55
Christian Temple .	150	25	225	225	225	550	125	40	225	1,790
Cypress Chapel ...	35	10	40	40	40	100	20	10	100	395
Damascus	35	6	40	40	40	100	20	10	75	366
Dendron	5	3	5	5	5	15	5	2	50	95
Eure	35	6	40	40	40	100	20	10	75	366
Elm Avenue	15	5	20	20	20	50	10	5	25	170
First, Norfolk	40	12	50	50	50	150	30	10	75	467
First, Portsmouth .	40	12	50	50	50	150	30	10	100	492
First, Richmond ..	35	7	40	40	40	100	20	10	100	392
Franklin	73	18	85	85	85	192	35	15	125	713
Holland	74	18	85	85	85	191	35	15	225	813
Holy Neck	40	12	50	50	50	150	30	10	150	542
Hopewell	5	3	5	5	5	15	5	2	10	55
Isle of Wight	10	5	10	10	10	25	5	2	25	102
Ivor	5	3	5	5	5	15	5	2	10	55
Johnson's Grove ..	3	1	3	3	3	5	1	1	10	30
Liberty Spring ...	40	12	50	50	50	150	30	10	125	517
Mt. Carmel	35	7	40	40	40	100	20	10	125	417
Mt. Zion	10	3	10	10	10	25	5	2	10	85
Newport News ...	80	18	85	85	85	185	35	15	100	688
New Lebanon	10	6	13	12	12	30	10	3	15	111
Ocean View	10	6	12	13	12	30	10	3	25	121
Old Zion	40	10	50	50	50	150	30	10	100	490
Oak Grove	10	5	12	13	12	30	10	3	20	115
Oakland	35	7	40	40	40	100	20	10	100	392
Rosemont	60	11	70	70	70	175	25	5	250	736
Suffolk	300	35	440	440	440	989	193	93	600	3,530
South Norfolk	60	12	70	70	70	170	30	5	125	612
Spring Hill	10	5	13	12	12	30	10	3	25	120
Sarem	5	3	5	2	3	10	5	2	10	45
Union, South.	15	5	20	20	20	50	10	5	10	155
Union, Surry	5	3	5	5	5	15	5	2	15	60
Waverly	75	15	80	80	80	195	45	15	75	660
Wakefield	7	2	10	10	10	27	5	3	25	99
Windsor	30	6	35	35	35	85	15	5	100	346
Epworth Mission .		5								5
Totals	\$1592	\$ 360	\$1990	\$1987	\$1988	\$4944	\$ 995	\$ 398	\$3525	\$17,779

It was moved and carried that the amounts designated in the Report on Apportionments for the Orphanage be regarded as goals for the various churches, as suggested by the last session of the Southern Convention; and that all churches raising the Apportionments and the goal for the Orphanage, for the ensuing year, be placed on an honor roll; and that churches raising 80 percent of the Apportionments other than the Orphanage goal be given honorable mention.

Report of Committee on Finance was read by Mr. J. T. Kernodle, Chairman and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to submit the following report:

We have examined the report of the Treasurer, Mr. W. E. MacClenny, and find it correct.

The following bills have been presented for payment:

Dr. I. W. Johnson, Secretary, salary	\$ 50.00
Dr. I. W. Johnson, postage and stationery	5.00
Central Publishing Co., Inc., programs and postage .	4.60
Total	<hr/> \$ 59.60

We recommend that they we paid.

Mr. R. C. Norflett, Collector reports the receipt of \$6248.87. This amount has been divided among the various funds as follows:

Conference Home Missions	\$1,144.50
Conference Fund	308.51
Convention Fund	1,408.99
Convention Home Missions	480.55
Foreign Missions	447.43
Elon College Fund	1,822.02
Superannuation Fund	392.91
Christian Education Fund	243.96
Total	<hr/> \$6,248.87

We recommend that the Secretary of the Conference be instructed to forward to Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treasurer of the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches, drafts for the Convention Fund, Convention Home Missions, Foreign Missions, the Elon College Fund, the Superannuation Fund and the fund for Christian Education.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. KERNODLE,
HOLLAND BALLARD,
J. H. WARREN,

Committee.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary be instructed and authorized to receive the Conference Funds from the Committee on Finance and transfer same to Mr. W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer.

Report of Committee on Superannuation was read by Dr. L. E. Smith, Chairman.

General discussion by Dr. L. E. Smith, Mr. M. W. Hollowell, Dr. N. G. Newman, and Rev. J. E. McCauley.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

There is a great joy in preaching the gospel. The man who has been called of God is happy in his task. He finds an increasing satisfaction in the accomplishments of his calling. To him it is a great disappointment to recognize physical disabilities. It is a real cross for a true minister to be compelled to stay out of his pulpit on account of illness or infirmity. It is a greater disappointment to find himself without funds for the necessities of life. If he could labor, he would rejoice in the privilege; but since he cannot labor, he is dependent upon his brethren. It is our church's privilege to provide for our ministers who, for different reasons, are not able to serve as pastors as they have been accustomed. Our National Council is constantly appealing to every local church and to every individual member for funds with which to gladden the hearts of our ministers whose strength has failed them in the thick of the fight.

Our own conference has asked each local church to contribute a definite amount for this purpose. The church is given the opportunity to raise the amounts asked for in the way most convenient, but all churches are requested to occasionally receive money for our superannuated ministers in connection with the observance of the Lord's Supper. The committee earnestly appeals to every church to do its share in the worthy undertaking.

Recommendations: (1) That the pastors of our churches have some leading layman to present the cause of ministerial relief to his congregation at some auspicious time. (2) That at least one public offering for ministerial relief be received each quarter unless the local church provides for the securing of the necessary amount through some other channel. (3) That we call the local churches' attention to the fact that a list of the beneficiaries of the Southern Convention may be found in our church annual.

L. E. SMITH,
J. E. RAWLES,
J. A. WILLIAMS,
J. M. DARDEN,

Committee.

Mrs. J. A. Williams submitted a Report of the Committee on Place for next session. Upon invitation of Holland Christian Church, it was voted to hold the next session of the Conference with said Church.

Report of Committee on Resolutions was read by Rev. R. E. Brittle, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Having felt something of a spirit of inspiration and helpfulness by these days of worship, fellowship and business, you committee wishes to offer the following Resolutions:

1. That we express our grateful appreciation to the officers who have given of their time and faithful services; to the Program Committee for the preparation of such a splendid program, and for the inspirational addresses brought.

2. That we express our appreciation to the Committees that have so faithfully worked during the year, and brought inspiring reports to the Conference.

3. That we express by rising vote our sincere thanks to the Pastor, members, and friends of the South Norfolk Christian Church for their spirit of hospitality.

4. That we express our gratitude for the beautiful spirit of harmony and Christian fellowship prevailing through the entire proceedings of the Conference.

5. We would thank the press for the liberal space used in publishing the daily

proceedings of the Conference for the profit and information of our constituency and public at large.

6. That we as pastors and delegates, return to our local churches with an inspired determination to carry out the recommendations and suggestions of this Conference.

R. E. BRITTLE,
MRS. W. B. WILLIAMS,
MRS. JOE A. FRENCH,
Committee.

The President announced the Appointment of the following Standing Committees for the ensuing year:

Executive—Rev. R. L. House, I. W. Johnson, N. G. Newman.

Education—I. W. Johnson, H. S. Hardcastle, John G. Truitt, F. C. Lester, N. G. Newman.

Home Missions—J. E. West, J. F. Morgan, E. L. Beale, T. F. Wright.

Foreign Missions—Elwood W. Jones, Mrs. R. T. Bradford, Mrs. John G. Truitt, W. H. Garman, Mrs. J. Monroe Harris.

Christian Education—J. E. McCauley, W. H. Baker, Joe A. French, L. E. Smith.

Religious Literature—F. C. Lester, Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Mrs. W. B. Williams, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle.

Evangelism—John G. Truitt, R. E. Brittle, O. D. Poythress, Mrs. J. F. Morgan.

Stewardship—Carl R. Key, J. H. Warren, Col. E. E. Holland.

Temperance and Moral Reform—H. S. Hardcastle, S. W. Phillips, Charles Eldred, Shelton, H. C. Hilliard.

Ministerial Ethics—N. G. Newman, M. J. White, M. W. Hollowell, I. W. Johnson.

Apportionments—A. L. Jolly, J. W. Manning, J. T. Kernodle, T. F. Wright.

Superannuation—Dr. J. E. Rawles, A. M. Johnson, Mrs. A. L. Jolly, Miss Lil-lye Holland.

Historian—W. E. MacClenny.

Memoirs—W. E. MacClenny.

Place of Meeting—Mrs. J. A. Williams.

It was moved and carried that the minutes be printed in The Annual, and that 500 copies be purchased and distributed pro rata among the churches as heretofore, and the Secretary be authorized to draw draft on the Conference Fund to pay for same.

Minutes were read and approved.

It was moved and carried that after the Devotional Period, Conference adjourn to meet Wednesday before the First Sunday in November at 10:00 A. M., at Holland Christian Church.

Devotional Period led by Rev. J. F. Morgan. Topic: Four Experiences in Worship. Benediction by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

ROBERT LEE HOUSE, *President*,
I W. JOHNSON, *Secretary*.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

R. E. Brittle—Churches in charge: Cypress Chapel, Bethlehem, Union (Sou.). Sermons, 178; conversions, 48; members received, 40; marriages, 24; addresses, 3; baptisms, 32; visits, 1675; funerals, 19; salary, \$1,350.00.

A. R. Flowers—Lecturing in the interest of Christian education and Sunday School work.

Carr E. Gerringer—Churches in charge: Antioch, Isle of Wight; sermons, 40; conversions, 2; members received, 5; marriages, 1; baptisms, 10; funerals, 9.

Robert Lee House—Church in charge: Newport News; sermons, 112; conversions, 3; members received, 12; marriages, 6; addresses, 6; baptisms, 5; visits, 875; funerals, 4; salary, \$1,800.00.

H. C. Hilliard—Church in charge: Damascus, Eure, Oak Grove; sermons, 96; conversions, 24; members received, 30; addresses, 5; baptisms, 24; visits, 975; funerals, 10; salary, \$950.00.

W. D. Harward—No charge; marriages, 2.

H. S. Hardcastle—Church in charge: Christian Temple; sermons, 110; conversions, 25; members received, 35; marriages, 11; addresses, a number; baptisms, 26; visits, 400; funerals, 28; salary, \$2,700.00 and Parsonage.

W. M. Jay—Church in charge: United Church, Winston-Salem, N. C.; sermons, 57; conversions, 2; members received, 10; marriages, 7; addresses, 3; baptisms, 1; visits, 230; funerals, 2; salary (6 months) \$1,165.00.

Elwood W. Jones—Church in charge: Franklin, Johnson's Grove; sermons, 94; conversions, 7; members received, 9; marriages, 7; addresses, 29; baptisms, 8; visits, 510; funerals, 10; salary, \$1,925.00.

I. W. Johnson—Churches in charge: Berea (Nansemond), Liberty Spring, Oakland; sermons, 80; conversions, 20; members received, 30; marriages, 132; addresses, 3; baptisms, 20; visits, 400; funerals, 16; salary, \$1,620.00.

Carl R. Key—Church in charge: Holland; sermons, 77; conversions, 14; members received, 21; marriages, 4; addresses, 6; baptisms, 23; visits, 975; funerals, 4; salary, \$1,500.00.

T. N. Lowe—Church in charge: Hopewell; sermons, 153; conversions, 15; members received, 16; marriages, 17; baptisms, 9; visits, 1,080; funerals, 13; salary, \$525.48.

L. L. Lassiter—No charge.

Fletcher Cummings Lester—Church in charge: First, Norfolk; sermons, 79; conversions, 12; members received, 14; marriages, 6; addresses, 66; baptisms, 11; visits, 310; funerals, 7; salary, \$1,200.00 and Parsonage.

J. F. Morgan—Church in charge: Rosemont; sermons, 140; conversions, 25; members received, 27; marriages, 10; addresses, 10; baptisms, 31; visits, 1,300; funerals, 9; salary, \$1,645.00.

A. L. Granger, Jr.—Churches in charge: Auburn, Providence Memorial; sermons, 61; addresses, 15; visits, 156; funerals, 3; salary, \$420.00; Student Yale Divinity School at present.

W. H. Garman—Church in charge: Old Zion; sermons, 201; conversions, 20; members received, 24; marriages, 21; addresses, 2; baptisms, 4; visits, 674; funerals, 25; salary, \$1,786.50.

W. C. Moore—Church in charge: Epworth Mission, Del.; sermons unknown; members received, 6; marriages, 10; baptisms, 30; funerals, 18.

Durant D. Nash—Supply for pastor in N. C. and Va.; sermons, 28; conversions, 19; addresses, 6; visits, 175; funerals, 10.

N. G. Newman—Churches in charge: Holy Neck and Windsor; sermons, 64; conversions, 20; members received, 22; marriages, 1; baptisms, 21; visits, 250; funerals, 9; salary, \$1,600.00.

Slade W. Phillips—Church in charge: Elm Avenue; sermons, 200; conversions, 10; members received, 2; marriages, 3; addresses, 12; visits, 250; funerals, 3; salary, \$1,040.00.

G. A. Pearce—Churches in charge: Ivor, Barrett's, Wakefield and Dendron; sermons, 80; conversions, 10; members received, 12; marriages, 4; addresses, 2; baptisms, 10; visits, 300; funerals, 9; salary, \$690.00.

John G. Truitt—Church in charge: Suffolk; sermons, 105; conversions, 45; members received, 83; marriages, 29; addresses, 40; baptisms, 37; visits, 1,205; funerals, 42; salary, \$3,000.00 and Parsonage.

Aubrey C. Todd—Supply New Elam, LaGrange, Ga.; sermons, 107; conversions, 16; members received, 18; addresses, 2; visits, 500; funerals, 3.

T. Fred Wright—Churches in charge: Waverly, Spring Hill and Centerville; sermons, 98; conversions, 7; members received, 5; marriages, 3; prayer meetings, 7; addresses, 2; baptisms, 6; visits, 516; funerals, 5.

Herbert G. Council, Jr.—Supply-Pastor's Assistant Suffolk; sermons, 8.

Elisha Bradshaw—Church in charge: Mt. Carmel; sermons, 23; conversions, 10; members received, 12; marriages, 1; baptisms, 10; visits, 50; funerals, 3; salary, \$240.00.

Joe A. French—Churches in charge: Ocean View, Berea (Norfolk); sermons, 95; conversions, 17; members received, 36; marriages, 3; baptisms, 19; visits, 1,422; funerals, 7; salary, \$1,293.50.

J. E. McCauley—Church in charge: First, Richmond; sermons, 144; conversions, 6; members received, 10; marriages, 8; addresses, 8; baptisms, 5; visits, 1,125; funerals, 3; salary, \$1,800.00.

O. D. Poythress—Church in charge: South Norfolk; sermons, 175; conversions, 30; members received, 35; marriages, 33; addresses, 10; baptisms, 27; visits, 1,160; funerals, 102; salary, \$2,297.00.

H. E. Rountree—Chaplain USN; services, 63; attendance, 2,165; communion, 2; other military services, 6; attendance, 572; civilian addresses, 3; attendance, 275; baptisms, 2; members received, 2; marriages, 10; song fests, 21; visits to ships, 162; religious interviews, 450; choir rehearsals, 30; visits to enlisted men, 18.

J. M. Roberts—Churches in charge: Union (Surry), Sarem; sermons, 25; marriages, 4; funerals, 8; salary, \$154.00.

J. H. Warren—No charge; sermons, 12; marriages, 5; addresses, 9; baptisms, 4; visits, 340; funerals, 4.

Warren H. Denison—Assistant Secretary General Council; sermons, and addresses, 117; marriages, 2; funerals, 1.

L. E. Smith—Church in charge: Elon College Community Church; sermons, 14; conversions, 3; members received, 4; marriages, 2; addresses, 12; baptisms, 3; visits, 156; funerals, 2; salary, \$900.00.

R. A. Whitten—Churches in charge: First, Portsmouth, Mt. Zion; sermons, 129; conversions, 6; members received, 9; marriages, 6; addresses, 20; funerals, 13; salary, \$1,900.00.

CHURCH STATISTICS—EASTER

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Membership Reported Last Year.	Members Received by Confession.	Received by Letter.	Lost by Death.	Lost by Letter.	Present Membership.	Conference Home Missions.	Conference Fund.
1. Antioch.....	C. E. Gerringer..	Mrs. W. E. Garrison, Windsor, Va....	161	2	4	1	2	164	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00
2. Barrett's.....	Geo. A. Pearce...	P. B. Barrett, Sedley, Va.....	63	7	6	3	2	71	25.00	4.00
3. Berea, Nans.....	I. W. Johnson....	Mrs. H. P. Harrell, Driver, Va.....	90	4	8	3	2	95	30.00	5.00
4. Berea, Norfolk.....	Joe A. French....	M. W. Hollowell, Portsmouth, Va....	222	2	8	3	2	232	40.00	10.00
5. Bethlehem.....	R. E. Brittle.....	J. W. Folk, Suffolk, Va.....	395	22	8	4	3	415	2.00	3.00
6. Burton's Grove.....	T. Fred Wright..	E. W. Carroll, Wakefield, Va.....	50	7	2	3	4	57	3.00	20.00
7. Centerville.....	H. S. Hardcastle..	J. L. Moss, Disputanta, Va.....	74	25	10	5	21	848	9.00	8.00
8. Christian Temple..	R. E. Brittle.....	Herman Capps, Norfolk, Va.....	839	11	4	1	2	848	10.00	5.00
9. Cypress Chapel.....	H. C. Hilliard....	Roy Brinkley, Suffolk, Va.....	310	4	1	2	3	318	5.00	3.00
10. Damascus.....	G. A. Pearce.....	J. E. Corbitt, Sunbury, N. C.....	178	3	2	3	4	181	10.00	5.00
11. Dendron.....	S. W. Phillips....	W. S. Barrett, Dendron, Va.....	48	1	2	2	3	49	5.00	3.00
12. Elm Avenue.....	H. C. Hilliard....	B. P. Deans, Portsmouth, Va.....	60	3	1	3	4	60	10.00	5.00
13. Eure.....	F. C. Lester.....	J. H. Lilley, Eure, N. C.....	350	8	4	4	3	350	40.00	10.00
14. First, Norfolk.....	R. A. Whitten....	W. J. Thomas, Norfolk, Va.....	315	12	2	7	3	319	35.00	5.00
15. First, Portsmouth	J. E. McCauley..	B. L. Bowles, Portsmouth, Va.....	245	6	4	3	1	253	73.00	15.00
16. First Richmond..	Elwood W. Jones	Mrs. C. W. Woodward, Richmond, Va.	155	7	2	4	2	177	40.00	10.00
17. Franklin.....	N. G. Newman....	Samuel Bradshaw, Franklin, Va.....	276	21	1	7	4	337	74.00	15.00
18. Holy Neck.....	Carl R. Key.....	A. L. Norfleet, Holland, Va.....	326	14	7	4	6	411	10.00	5.00
19. Holland.....	T. N. Lowe.....	E. J. Norfleet, Holland, Va.....	400	15	1	3	1	411	10.00	5.00
20. Hopewell.....	C. E. Gerringer..	Mrs. G. A. Robertson, Hopewell, Va.	152	3	1	4	2	158	10.00	5.00
21. Isle of Wight.....	G. A. Pearce.....	M. T. Whitley, Windsor, Va.....	42	1	1	1	1	45	3.00	1.00
22. Ivor.....	Elwood W. Jones	Mrs. J. S. Bryant, Ivor, Va.....	34	2	4	8	4	33	45.00	15.00
23. Johnson's Grove..	I. W. Johnson....	Mrs. B. F. Hancock, Sedley, Va.....	90	10	4	6	3	105	11.00	5.00
24. Liberty Spring.....	Elisha Bradshaw	F. F. Brinkley, Suffolk, Va.....	356	10	3	1	1	356	35.00	5.00
25. Mt. Carmel.....	R. A. Whitten....	Mrs. Mattie Cox, Walters, Va.....	166	54	1	3	50	177	60.00	10.00
26. Mt. Zion.....	R. L. House.....	Mrs. J. L. Gray, Eclipse, Va.....	54	71	5	7	3	128	300.00	30.00
27. New Lebanon.....	Joe A. French....	Ollie V. Cokes, Elberon, Va.....	71	340	26	8	1	331	10.00	5.00
28. Newport News.....	I. W. Johnson....	D. H. Lawson, Hampton, Va.....	83	332	8	1	2	331	10.00	5.00
29. Ocean View.....	H. C. Hilliard....	Mrs. D. L. Brown, Norfolk, Va.....	83	113	5	1	1	128	5.00	3.00
30. Oakland.....	W. H. Garman....	H. V. Beamont, Corapeake, N. C.....	413	20	4	9	4	394	15.00	10.00
31. Oak Grove.....	J. F. Morgan.....	W. W. Starnes, Norfolk, Va.....	413	383	24	3	2	406	30.00	10.00
32. Old Zion.....	John G. Truitt....	W. M. Sparkman, Buell, Va.....	383	1378	43	40	26	1423	30.00	10.00
33. Rosemont.....	T. Fred Wright..	J. D. McClenny, Suffolk, Va.....	63	63	1	1	1	63	5.00	3.00
34. Suffolk.....	J. M. Roberts....	Mrs. E. B. Richardson, Waverly, Va.	34	571	35	7	10	538	15.00	10.00
35. Spring Hill.....	O. D. Poythress..	R. H. Smith, Whaleyville, Va.....	34	157	49	2	2	153	5.00	3.00
36. Sarem.....	R. E. Brittle.....	C. E. Hollowell, So. Norfolk, Va.....	49	94	4	1	5	98	3.00	1.00
37. South Norfolk.....	J. M. Roberts....	R. H. Joyner, Franklin, Va.....	94	227	4	1	5	221	30.00	5.00
38. Union, S'hampton	G. A. Pearce.....	R. T. Brittle, Dendron, Va.....	227	118	2	5	115	1167.50	257.00	5.00
39. Union, Surry.....	T. Fred Wright..	R. P. Kitchen, Wakefield, Va.....	94	118	2	5	115	1167.50	257.00	5.00
40. Wakefield.....	N. G. Newman....	R. T. West, Waverly, Va.....	227	118	2	5	115	1167.50	257.00	5.00
41. Waverly.....	W. C. Moore.....	Mrs. E. R. Laine, Windsor, Va.....	118	118	2	5	115	1167.50	257.00	5.00
42. Windsor.....										
43. Hobson (Inactive)										
44. Epworth Mission.										
Totals.....			9877	371	121	123	139	9864	\$1167.50	\$ 257.00

VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

Convention Fund.	Convention Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Elon College Fund.	Superannuation Fund.	Christian Education	Orphanage.	Pastor's Salary.	Woman's Missionary Societies.	Other Benevolences.	Other Expenses.	Total Raised for All Purposes.	Value of Church Property.
\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 13.81	\$ 26.70	\$ 6.80	\$ 5.00	\$ 14.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 35.00		\$ 107.83	\$ 479.39	\$ 2,500.00
25.00	25.38	25.39	80.00	6.00	5.00	60.00	8.15	150.00		293.21	181.96	1,000.00
35.00	21.00	20.20	40.00	10.00	5.00	20.00	420.00	100.00		111.84	1,048.98	15,000.00
50.00	43.38	43.39	20.00	10.00	10.00	61.17	500.00	52.00	\$ 240.00	388.76	1,295.98	5,000.00
5.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	1.00			600.00	289.00	50.00		1,925.48	18,000.00
2.00	3.00	3.00	2.00					16.00			61.49	50.00
25.00	225.00	225.00	550.00	125.00	40.00	182.49	91.85				129.40	1,000.00
11.00	8.00	7.00	7.00			71.08	2,276.15	882.00	81.00	5,981.19	12,852.52	250,000.00
5.00	7.50	7.50	8.50	3.00	2.00		382.41	176.00	74.00	1,262.91	2,367.66	20,000.00
5.00	14.00	14.38	15.00	6.80	2.00	18.80	360.00	80.00	3.00	25.00	634.40	1,500.00
10.00	15.03	15.03	10.00	2.00	1.00	34.21	61.00	95.00	5.00	146.76	454.06	2,000.00
	7.00	20.00	50.00			10.00	1,040.00	40.00		792.90	2,357.86	20,000.00
50.00	36.50	36.50	50.00	19.93	10.00	25.20	360.00	38.00	40.00	95.00	653.00	2,500.00
				10.00		60.99	1,200.00	82.00	48.00	995.77	2,868.73	40,000.00
40.00	40.00	40.00	76.70	20.00	10.00	67.35	1,800.00	158.00		2,597.86	4,073.96	75,000.00
85.00	85.00	85.00	192.00	35.00	15.00	90.99	900.00	50.00	30.00	6,585.84	8,149.23	178,000.00
50.00	50.00	50.00	150.00	30.00	10.00	130.40	1,800.00	314.00	27.00	1,481.92	4,668.37	40,000.00
85.00	85.00	85.00	191.00	35.00	15.00	203.81	1,200.00	326.00	22.00	303.80	2,821.33	12,000.00
	4.05	4.00		1.20		2.60	1,500.00	232.00	22.00	995.15	4,124.11	35,000.00
6.00	10.00	10.00	14.00	2.00	1.00	6.00	525.48	7.00	9.00	92.93	649.24	7,000.00
5.00	5.00	2.00	3.00	1.00			150.00		30.00	43.00	283.00	3,000.00
	2.88	2.88				6.60	100.00			12.53	183.38	5,500.00
50.00	50.00	50.00	150.00	30.00	10.00	73.00	125.00		7.00	5.00	194.77	2,000.00
32.50	15.00		4.40				600.00	330.00		528.00	2,216.00	20,000.00
							220.00		9.00	198.15	934.73	5,000.00
							50.00				50.00	2,000.00
	17.25	20.25	5.00	5.00		12.00	48.32	20.00		42.50	261.75	1,500.00
38.24	95.65	15.00	11.85	13.24	15.00	66.63	1,800.00	109.00	56.00	3,053.74	5,909.02	30,000.00
12.00	19.00	19.00	9.00	2.20	3.00	4.41	293.50		43.00	485.75	1,103.90	5,000.00
40.00	40.00	40.00	100.00	20.00	10.00	63.25	600.00	117.00		321.14	1,646.35	15,000.00
	2.25	2.25	1.24				180.00			90.00	355.74	2,500.00
		86.53			25.00	79.50	1,786.50		75.00	943.63	3,566.83	15,000.00
70.00	125.00	125.00	175.00	25.00	5.00	307.00	1,654.00	287.00	50.00	341.00	3,710.00	35,000.00
440.00	350.00	350.00	650.00	187.47	75.00	680.99	3,000.00	934.00	298.00	9,786.96	18,391.81	180,000.00
10.00	5.00	5.06	11.61	2.30	2.00	9.00	95.00	7.00		18.60	237.49	2,500.00
5.00	5.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	4.00		60.00				105.00	1,000.00
15.00	37.92	37.93	50.00	15.00	5.00	75.00	2,297.00	75.00	100.00	2,187.14	5,677.63	100,000.00
4.10	6.63	6.63	4.13			13.26	150.00		57.00		305.80	1,500.00
3.00	8.75	1.25	15.00	2.50		6.50	88.00				133.00	500.00
5.00		13.65	3.50	2.00			400.00			125.03	555.03	5,000.00
	24.27	34.27	9.50			10.00	1,377.14		146.00	1,717.60	2,993.09	16,000.00
35.00	16.12	16.13	32.50	15.61	5.00	97.00	360.00	136.00	10.00	78.09	1,125.26	5,000.00
											5.00	
\$ 458.34	\$1513.66	\$1539.83	\$2807.54	\$ 660.02	\$ 289.00	\$2573.63	\$30,849.06	\$4987.00	\$1532.00	\$41,848.17	\$ 101,811.73	\$1,179,000.00

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—EASTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Total Enrollment.	Total Amount Raised During Year.
1. Antioch.....	J. H. Godwin, Windsor, Va.....	10	80	\$ 75.00
2. Barrett's.....	J. Q. Hancock, Sedley, Va.....	7	42	23.81
3. Berea, Nansemond.....	Lloyd C. March, Suffolk, Va.....	9	124	187.21
4. Berea, Norfolk.....	E. E. Waterfield, Hickory, Va.....	10	105	219.13
5. Bethlehem.....	W. B. Byrd, Suffolk, Va.....	31	320	328.33
6. Burton's Grove.....	E. W. Carroll, Wakefield, Va.....	7	35	30.00
7. Centerville.....	G. W. Bain, Disputanta, Va.....	8	32	19.55
8. Christian Temple.....	L. G. Robinson, Norfolk, Va.....	26	434	1,445.35
9. Cypress Chapel.....	J. C. Lynch, Suffolk, Va.....	28	216	415.01
10. Damascus.....	Rudolph Corbitt, Sunbury, N. C.....	7	78	117.40
11. Dendron.....	E. T. Atkinson, Dendron, Va.....	9	46	103.47
12. Elm Avenue.....	J. A. Branch, Portsmouth, Va.....	12	75	205.93
13. Eure.....	T. A. Eure, Eure, N. C.....	7	70	25.00
14. First, Norfolk.....	W. J. Thomas, Norfolk, Va.....	23	170	259.11
15. First, Portsmouth.....	H. W. Lee, Portsmouth, Va.....	15	178	421.01
16. First, Richmond.....	R. C. Parsons, Richmond, Va.....	18	127	249.84
17. Franklin.....	John L. Eley, Franklin, Va.....	22	213	368.33
18. Holy Neck.....	J. E. March, Holland, Va.....	14	204	397.74
19. Holland.....	E. J. Norfleet, Holland, Va.....	19	222	480.01
20. Hopewell.....	F. W. Lowe, Hopewell, Va.....	11	144	102.61
21. Isle of Wight.....	M. T. Whitley, Windsor, Va.....	10	76	90.00
22. Ivor.....	B. H. Lane, Ivor, Va.....	7	37	25.85
23. Johnson's Grove.....	B. F. Hancock, Sedley, Va.....	5	30	31.17
24. Liberty Spring.....	I. T. Byrd, Holland, Va.....	16	225	250.00
25. Mt. Carmel.....	Otis V. Joyner, Walters, Va.....	21	137	319.85
26. Mt. Zion.....	R. M. Matthews, Eclipse, Va.....	5	20	20.00
27. New Lebanon.....	Ollie V. Cokes, Elberon, Va.....	7	55	88.43
28. Newport News.....	W. B. Williams, Newport News, Va.....	34	315	429.07
29. Ocean View.....	J. F. Hodges, Norfolk, Va.....	12	137	186.74
30. Oakland.....	G. C. Griffin, Windsor, Va.....	11	197	284.72
31. Oak Grove.....	Emory Rountree, Sunbury, N. C.....	7	65	80.00
32. Old Zion.....	W. W. Starnes, Norfolk, Va.....	19	322	569.79
33. Rosemont.....	H. R. Morrison, Norfolk, Va.....	25	291	975.00
34. Suffolk.....	W. S. Beamon, Suffolk, Va.....	63	778	2,763.49
35. Spring Hill.....	J. J. Faison, Waverly, Va.....	9	45	55.87
36. Sarem.....	No School.....			
37. South Norfolk.....	A. B. Creef, South Norfolk, Va.....	36	510	728.14
38. Union, S'hampton.....	R. H. Joyner, Franklin, Va.....	7	70	59.00
39. Union, Surry.....	R. T. Brittle, Dendron, Va.....	6	26	52.75
40. Wakefield.....	R. P. Kitchen, Wakefield, Va.....	11	90	140.00
41. Waverly.....	B. E. White, Waverly, Va.....	15	190	170.60
42. Windsor.....	Lorenzo Bailey, Windsor, Va.....	13	104	288.59
Totals.....		633	6,635	\$13,222.81

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NEEDHAM'S GROVE CHRISTIAN CHURCH, MOORE COUNTY,
N. C., NOVEMBER 4-5, 1936.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Sixty-Six Annual Session of the Western North Carolina Conference met in Needham's Grove Church, Moore County, Wednesday morning, November 4, 1936, the meeting was called to order at 10:50 A. M. by the president, Rev. T. E. White.

Opening song, "Rock of Ages," led by local choir.

Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. W. J. Edwards. Prayer by Rev. M. A. Pollard.

The Welcome Address was delivered by Walter Ritter, who gave a very hearty welcome to all in attendance. The response to Welcome was given by Rev. Geo. M. Tally.

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—John M. Allred, E. Carl Brady, H. V. Cox, W. J. Edwards, J. U. Fogleman, T. J. Green, G. O. Lankford, A. L. Lucas, Jas. H. Lightbourne, B. H. Lowdermilk, W. C. Martin, D. R. Moffitt, S. M. Penn, M. A. Pollard, John Q. Pugh, Geo. M. Talley, T. E. White. (Rev. W. N. Hayes was absent because of illness.)

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch (C)—

Antioch (R)—G. K. Needham, E. F. Hayes.

Bailey's Grove—Mrs. C. S. Allred, Irene Dezern.

Bennett—Clifford Murray, Lucille Scott.

Big Oak—W. P. Copeland, Mrs. W. P. Copeland, Luther Whitley, J. B. Cole,, alternate.

Biscoe—J. W. Lambert, Mrs. W. A. Cagle, Miss Maude Lambert.

Brown's Chapel—J. W. H. Moore.

Burlington—Mr. and Mrs. Luther W. Cates, E. B. Rascoe.

Ether—Mrs. W. H. Freeman, Mrs. J. W. Caveness.

Flint Hill (M)—Carson Williams, Miss Maggie Williams, Mrs. Mildred Staley.

Flint Hill (R)—By report.

Glendon—

Grace's Chapel—G. S. Cox, W. J. Wofford.

Graham—J. D. Kernodle.

*Graham Providence Memorial—**Hamlet*—E. C. Tennant.*Hank's Chapel*—By report.*High Point, First Church*—Mrs. B. P. Moffitt, Miss Velna Dorsett.*High Point, East Green*—Mrs. A. L. Maners.*Liberty*—Mrs. Lona Smith, Mrs. Halley Routh.*Mt. Pleasant*—E. M. Marks, A. McKay.*Needham's Grove*—J. M. Needham, A. L. Scott.*New Center*—A. F. Garner, Henry Cagle.*Parks Cross Roads*—Mr. and Mrs. Ray H. Reitzel; Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Craven, alternates.*Patterson's Grove*—*Pleasant Cross*—Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Burns.*Pleasant Grove*—E. A. Brady, J. R. Brown.*Pleasant Hill*—P. E. Coble, J. C. Hester, Misses Amy Fogleman, Daisy Ashley.*Pleasant Ridge*—B. H. Scott, W. W. Davis, E. W. Brown, Mrs. Fred Allred.*Pleasant Union*—A. W. Harris, Clarence Snider.*Providence Chapel*—Tom Moore.*Ramseur*—Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Faust, Mrs. C. W. Craven.*Randleman*—A. P. Gaster, S. G. Robbins.*Seagrove*—Junie Farlow, D. A. Cornelison.*Shady Grove*—Miss Esther Kerns.*Shiloh*—J. W. Cheek, J. E. Stout.*Sophia*—By report.*Smithwood*—Frank Staley, Thomas Lowe, Misses Dezie Staley, Elviria Pollard.*Spoon's Chapel*—Goodman Vuncannon, Clayson Wright, Mrs. M. J. Smith.*Union Grove*—John Ferree, T. F. Brown, W. E. Brown.*Zion*—By report.

President White recognized and introduced the following visitors: Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College; Chas. D. Johnston, Superintendent of the Elon Orphanage; Rev. J. L. Foster, of the Eastern North Carolina Conference.

The Vice- President, Rev. T. J. Green, was called to preside. Rev. T. E. White presented the program as report of Program Committee. Motion made and carried that program be adopted, subject to such changes as may be necessary.

Special Committees were appointed by the Chairman as follows:

Resolutions—Rev. J. H. Lightbourne, Rev. M. A. Pollard, E. W. Brown.*Place*—John R. Brown, J. E. Stout.*Press*—Geo. T. Gunter.

Rev. T. E. White preached the Annual Sermon, using for his subject: "A Minor Prophet with a Major Message." This was a splen-

did message to the Conference, and we should give it due consideration. His message (in part) was as follows:

THE MAJOR MESSAGE OF A MINOR PROPHET.

The prophet Haggai was a minor prophet to the Jewish remnant because he was old when he began, spoke short messages, and prophesied for only four months. His message was major because he had for it a "Thus saith Jehovah of Hosts." Any preacher's message is major when he speaks God's message.

The key word of his prophesy is, "Consider your ways."

Human nature has made little change since the days of Haggai, and the voice of God is the same today as then, if we had an ear to hear it.

Conditions today are very similar to the conditions prevailing in the days of Haggai. They had drought, and so have we; they had blasting, milldew and the palmer worm, and we have boll weevil and bean beetle; they had politicians, and so have we. What they suffered, we have suffered; and finally, they had minor prophets, and so have we. They had the voice of the people, and the voice of God, and so have we.

Their great trouble was putting first things last. They were building houses and ceiling them for themselves, and neglecting entirely the House of God. They admitted the Lord's house needed to be built, but they said, "The time is not come to do it."

There is no harm or sin in things, all things are good. Sin can only occur when we take God's good things and put them in the wrong place.

Man can create nothing, we can only move things in their right or wrong places. Adam might have had an automobile, if he had known how to have taken the things that were there and put them together. Every inch of progress that has come about, or that will ever come about, is due and will be due to the discovery of how to put God's things in the right place.

The right time must be considered in putting right things together, or our efforts will result in failure. A good farmer may move a good axe into a good forest, move out the good wood, the good stumps and stone, move along a good plow, and move in the best seed of corn in the good month of November, but he will not reap a single seed. He has ignored the time.

The first commandment, the law of the first fruits, the first of the flocks, the first cake of the prophet, when there was only a handful of meal and a little oil, and the words of our Lord, "First the Kingdom of God," all indicate that in all things God must be first.

When I look over the length and breath of this conference, with its towns and cities, fertile fields and splendid houses, good roads and automobiles, schools that surpass a college of a generation ago, and then behold our churches with pastors so poorly paid, and the great command of our Master almost entirely ignored, I cannot help but exclaim: "Oh, if our people would put first things first!"

I shall be an optimist in spite of everything. There is a blessing in being small—even down. We have the opportunity of getting large, of rising up.

The difference I find between Haggai and myself is that the people obeyed the voice of the prophet, and I do not seem to get my message across.

THE ANNUAL is proof as to whether we are putting first things first or last.

There are holes in the bags into which we are putting our money and the breath of God is upon the products of our fields. The future of this Conference is in our pockets.

If we will stop and consider our ways, go up to the mountains, get wood and build, put first things first, we will be hearing the minor prophets proclaiming the major message: "I am with you," saith Jehovah of Hosts."

Communion Service was conducted by Dr. G. O. Lankford, assisted by the host pastor, Rev. E. Carl Brady, and the following ministers:

M. A. Pollard, T. J. Green, J. M. Allred, S. M. Penn, J. H. Lightbourne, J. U. Fogleman.

Rev. E. Carl Brady announced that dinner would be served on the church grounds, and invited everyone to the big table.

Conference adjourned for lunch.

Benediction by Rev. J. U. Fogleman.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by President White.

Song—"Onward Christian Soldiers.

Worship Service in charge of Rev. J. U. Fogleman, who read St. Matt. 5: 1-12. He pictured Jesus as He went about doing good.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Rev. T. E. White; Vice-President, Rev. E. Carl Brady; Secretary, Geo. T. Gunter; Assistant-Secretary, Rev. M. A. Pollard; Treasurer, O. D. Lawrence.

Report of the Committee on Social Service was read by Rev. M. A. Pollard. Motion made and seconded that report be adopted. Report was discussed by Rev. M. A. Pollard. Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE.

We, your committee on Social Service, recommend the following convictions:

1. That we believe in a Social order in human life here that Jesus calls "The Kingdom of God." We believe that this order will bring peace, and a sense of rest and security, and enough of material goods to supply the needs of all.

2. That every Christian man and woman ought to think and act in terms of the Social order called the "Kingdom of God" in order to achieve the highest type of living.

3. That the Church ought to be the living and dynamic exponent of such a Social order, and work to achieve the incarnation of such a Spiritual order in the earthly life of men.

4. We recognize the urgent need of a moral reform among our Church members, as a basis for the coming of Christ's Kingdom among us. It is urgent, therefore, that we do all in our power in public, and private life, to teach and uphold Christ's brief, but comprehensive law of His Kingdom, namely, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart—and thy neighbor as thyself."

To keep this Commandment and prove our love and allegiance, we offer the following resolutions:

That the Sabbath Day be kept holy, and used to strengthen our religious life and not commercialized by sport and amusement.

That Church members, not let Social life and amusements crowd out their Spiritual life.

That older members realize, and accept their responsibility, in guiding young Christians in the true way.

That excessive movie attendance be discouraged.

That we think thoughts of love and peace towards our neighbor, and so aid in bringing world peace.

That attendance at all church services be urged, and financial support of all Church enterprises be loyally given.

That we aline ourselves with the forces of Temperance.

The Gospel of Jesus Christ has, of course, an individual and personal application. Its message and its mission is to the individual. But it also has a Social

application. "None liveth to himself, and no man dieth unto himself. We are members one of another. Whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honored, all the members rejoice with it." We may deny this in theory, but we must face it as a fact in life. The Church, therefore, must be concerned not only with saving individuals; It must be concerned with redeeming society. It must see to it that the principles and the Spirit of Jesus Christ are applied to life in all its social contacts. The increasing complexity of modern life demands that the social contacts be brought under the Sovereignty of Christ.

5. The Board of Christian Education seeks to aid churches in their religious educational programs, therefore, we recommend that this Conference avail itself of this opportunity, and elect a capable leader for this work in the Conference.

6. We further recommend and urge the churches of this Conference, with the cooperation of the pastors to group the churches into workable pastorates, with not more than four churches in any group, for better and more efficient service.

7. We recommend the study of ministerial church ethics by the pastors of this Conference.

M. A. POLLARD,
J. U. FOGLEMAN,
Committee.

Rev. F. C. Lester, Editor of *The Christian Sun*, was introduced to Conference.

Address, "Our Orphanage," Superintendent Chas. D. Johnston. Mr. Johnston used pictures to illustrate his talk anent the Orphanage work. He urged the churches to do their best in making the Thanksgiving Offering.

Address by Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College. He traced Elon's history and development (from its humble beginning to its present stage). The churches were urged to rally to Elon's support because of what she had done for our denomination.

Address, "Elon College," by Mr. J. H. Harden.

Reports of Ministers and churches were handed to the Secretary.

Report of Committee on Evangelism was submitted by Rev. S. M. Penn. Motion made and carried that report be adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

We, the committee, beg to offer the following report:

Evangelism is the great theme of the Gospel of Christ; it was the great theme of the prophets; it is the great theme of the Church today; it must be the great theme of the missionary also, of today.

First, the message is "Good news," good news about God and His search for man and man's need of God. This message tells us of God's love; that He is our heavenly Father. It is Good news about Jesus Christ and that He is the solution of our problems in all realms of life. He saves sinners and in saving, saves from something to something; to something worth living for and it will adjust us to Life and God's Kingdom; dying for; it tells us how He has brought life and immortality to light. This message comes to help us in a complex world to meet the conflicting views and solve our confused life. We find ourselves so divided over views related to religion which hinders the growth and progress of the Church. We are divided into groups of Fundamentalism, Liberalism, Modernism, Humanism, Socialism, and all the others more or less interwoven with religion and the Church.

We need a new vision of Christ and His message; a revelation of ourselves and our needs and how to apply the Good news to daily living.

The second is the method of carrying the message. Evangelism is as old as the prophetic message; it is as old as the New Testament. Evangelism is as simple as the message and method of Jesus. It is, by all means, to get the message of the good news of God in Jesus Christ to men.

It is done by the cooperation of the church and pastor in a definitely planned program of religious work with the aim to win and build Christian character. The Church must plan definitely some program for effective service of the Church which will reach and minister to the community where the church is and where the church may send, to those whom it may not be able to reach in person. The method and message must be so intensive that it will become extensive. Why is it that one half of the churches are practically at a standstill, one third making reasonable progress and growth and one sixth making significant growth? The one third and the one sixth have a definite planned program of message and method for winning to Christ and enlisting to the Church and the Kingdom.

There may be many lines of approach, personal and the group approach. It is personal ministry and group study, worship, and seasonal effort by definitely planned campaign.

At least, we Christians should use as much business method in the work of the Kingdom as we do in the commercial world, not to compete, but for effectiveness. There should be an all-the-year program to find, win, and enlist those in reach of the Church and the Kingdom. If evangelism and its methods were presented with as much zeal and enthusiasm as we go out to deal with the commercial world, we would be successful.

The Church and the ministers must use methods and plan the programs so carefully as to employ those whom are devoted to their Lord and Master. Too often in our worship, we use people on special programs, who have not even pretended to acknowledge Christ.

There should be careful and prayerful and watchful preparations for presenting this message in method.

Signed by your committee,

S. W. PENN,
J. M. ALLRED,
B. H. LOWDERMILK,
Committee.

Rev. J. H. Lightbourne, pastor of First Christian Church, Burlington, N. C., requested that the Burlington Church be transferred from this Conference to the N. C. and Va. Conference. The matter was discussed by Pres. White, Dr. G. O. Lankford, Dr. L. E. Smith, and Dr. J. H. Lightbourne. Motion made and carried that this question of transfer be referred to the Southern Christian Convention, which establishes the boundaries of Conferences.

Rev. J. H. Lightbourne requested that he be granted a letter of transfer to the N. C. and Va. Conference. Motion made and carried that his request be referred to the Committee on Education.

The report of Entertainment Committee was announced.

Conference adjourned until the evening session.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 7:30 o'clock.

Hymn—"Standing on the Promises."

Rev. Geo. M. Talley conducted the Devotional Service. He read from the ninth chapter of Hebrews, and used for his subject, "Christ."

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor was presented by Geo. T. Gunter. Motion made and seconded that report be adopted.

Report discussed by Revs. E. C. Brady, F. C. Lester, S. M. Penn, T. E. White, and Geo. T. Gunter.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Your committee submits the following report:

We appreciate the work that is being done by the Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies of our Conference. However, we feel that our Sunday Schools might be improved, and that there is a great need for the organization of more Christian Endeavor Societies. Therefore, we recommend:

1. That all members of our churches, Sunday Schools, and Christian Endeavor Societies encourage our leaders and, when possible, assist them in their work.

2. That our pastors and their churches organize Christian Endeavor Societies where there is none. *There are only seven Societies or Young People's organizations in our Conference.*

3. That we give our support to the Elon Leadership Conference, and that local Leadership Training Schools be conducted wherever possible.

4. That each Sunday School make the monthly offerings to the Orphanage and Missions, and quarterly for Elon College.

5. That we use our own denominational literature in all our schools.

6. That we rally to the support of our Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention, and make it what it should be.

GEO. T. GUNTER,
M. A. POLLARD,
Committee.

The Christian Endeavor Society of Big Oak rendered the following program:

Topic—"Favorite Message from the Ancient Song Book—The Twenty-Third Psalm."

Leader—Miss Velma Thomas.

Hymn—"Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us."

Quartet—"He Keeps My Soul," by Sam Deaton, Whiteford and Connie Cole, and Miss Sybil Cole. Organist, Mrs. Whiteford Cole.

Prayer—Mrs. J. B. Cole.

First Speaker—Rev. G. M. Tally.

Second Speaker—Arthur Freeman.

Song—"Bring Them In."

Third Speaker—Miss Thelma Thomas.

Fourth Speaker—Ernest McKenzie.

Duet—"Home Sick for Heaven," by Misses Radie Hussey and Sybil Cole.

Fifth Speaker—Miss Mary Freeman.

Sixth Speaker—Colon Nall.

Quartets—"Up There in Glory," and "Old Camp Meeting Days."

Hymn—"Christ Receiveth Sinful Men."

Quartet—"The Jericho Road." (By request.)

President White thanked the Society for its splendid program. Rev. F. C. Lester requested those who had parts in program, to furnish him copies of materials used for publication in *The Christian Sun*.

Rev. T. E. White addressed the Conference in behalf of our church paper, and urged our church people to take it and read it.

Benediction by Rev. S. M. Penn.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference was called to order by Rev. T. E. White.

Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. B. H. Lowdermilk, who read five verses from the twelfth chapter of Romans.

Minutes of previous day were read and approved.

Mr. D. A. Cornelison was enrolled as a delegate from Seagrove (Christian) Church.

Report of Committee on Religious Literature was read by Rev. John Q. Pugh (in lieu of Rev. Geo. M. Tally, who was absent).

While report was pending, Rev. F. C. Lester addressed the Conference. Mr. Lester outlined the work of the Board of Christian Education. He then proceeded to point out some of the best materials in religious literature, with special emphasis upon our own publications.

Report was discussed by Rev. S. M. Penn, and O. D. Lawrence.

Motion made and carried that the report be amended to include the Sunday school literature and other publications of our own denomination.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

A clear understanding of the way of salvation is still the greatest need of the Church and Christian workers in these days of religious confusion.

In such a day as this, when faith on every hand seems to tumble, there is a definite need for a study of the Scriptures (2nd Tim. 2:15) a study that will lead to a higher and more spiritual understanding of God.

The Greatest Good of all times is the Bible, and we should give it first consideration.

That Christians are God's spokesmen, that He has intrusted to His disciples in all ages, not only for their own good but also for the salvation of the whole world, the glorious gospel of transforming power, is precisely what the Bible teaches.

Therefore if we, His professed followers, fail to transmit "the power of God unto salvation" to those whose basic hunger is for spiritual food, we cannot deny that we have been unfaithful to this sacred trust placed in us.

Preaching, teaching, and living the Gospel rightly and effectively it may be done, is indeed our highest privilege.

This is the basis of our appeal to the unsaved masses.

One of the greatest privileges of the believer is to have the guidance of God at every turn of life.

And one of the most important of all practical questions is how to get this guidance.

We recommend:

1. That we read and study the Bible more.
2. That our pastors, Sunday School superintendents and teachers keep in touch with the excellent literature published by men who believe in the Virgin Birth, the Blood Atonement, and recommend it to our people of all ages.

3. That parents take special care in selecting literature for their children published by those who accept the Bible as God's inspired Word.

4. That our members subscribe for and read our Church paper, (*The Christian Sun*).

5. That we use the Sunday School literature and other publications of our own denomination.

G. M. TALLEY,
Chairman.

Rev. E. Carl Brady submitted the Report of Committee on Foreign Missions. Motion was made and seconded that report be adopted.

Report was discussed by Revs. E. C. Brady, B. H. Lowdermilk, A. L. Lucas, and F. C. Lester, who presented the Cent-a-meal plan.

Mrs. J. B. Cole reported on the Missionary work in the Big Oak Church, where the Missionary Society is only a year old but is doing a good work.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"No Christian need apologize for the missionary enterprise of the Church. Its harvests have been great and real. In spite of mistakes and crudities, it has made an enormous contribution to the progress of the human race. We can well feel grateful for even an humble part in it.

"No movement has gone deeper into life, built more enduring foundations for society, or done more to create constructive forces for the world. None has shown better adaptability to the conditions of the era now passing or exhibited more remarkable vitality for the future."

But what of the future? Will the missionary zeal of the Church enable it to keep pace with the present and future era.

Since this is Christ's work it should not be allowed to lag behind. The new day will have a place for Christian missions. The harvest is plenteous for God if love and the world is His field.

But laborers as well as finances are still needed. "Men and women with generations of Christian tradition and training behind them are called for to help by counsel and life to overcome the demoralizing movie and radio; to remove degrading poverty due to industrial exploitation; to meet the moral and material needs of vast rural population, underprivileged, inert, yet capable of the more abundant life; to lessen that nationalism that feeds on fears and false hopes and finds its fullest expression in wars of conquest."

India's depressed classes appeal to the best in each of us. Fifty million men, women and children are regarded as social outcasts. The poor people live on the barest necessities of life. Their liberties are taken away by the iron hand. They are often regarded as less than human. Yet they find hope in the missionaries. Leaders of these outcasts have decided to leave the Hindu religion. Where will their quest lead them? Will we have missionaries to point them the right way when they come to the parting of the ways? We have missionaries there but they are all too few. Many will go from Hinduism to other isms.

The same or identical conditions are found in many a distant clime. Therefore, let us face some facts:

Our Congregational and Christian churches have a membership of 1,028,038, and gave an average of only \$1.44 per member in 1935, through the apportionment for support of our total missionary work. Of course, many of our people gave much more than that while many gave nothing. Where was your church? Where were you? The people in this Conference averaged less than \$1.25 per member this past year for both home and foreign missions.

In view of this deplorable condition, we reiterate the recommendations of last year as follows:

1. That all Sunday Schools be urged by pastor and superintendent to take the once a month offering for missions.
2. That all our churches give Dr. Atkinson their wholehearted support in his drives for missions.
3. That the pastor honestly seek to interest the church or churches which he serves in missions.
4. That at or near Easter each church take an offering for missions.
5. That we offer whatever assistance at our command to the women in their missionary society work.
6. That the goal for missions for next year be at least one-third as much as pastor's salary.

A. L. LUCAS,
E. CARL BRADY,
Committee.

Report of Committee on Education was read by Rev. M. A. Pollard. The report was discussed by Revs. F. C. Lester and E. C. Brady.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

We would reaffirm our recognition of the value to North Carolina and to the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches of Elon College, and we urge our churches and our constituency to support Elon College in every way possible.

Dr. Jas. H. Lightbourne has asked this committee to recommend to the Conference body his request for a letter of transfer to the North Carolina and Virginia Conference. We, therefore, recommend that Conference grant his request.

We urge this Conference body to be careful in regard to ministers who accept work in the Conference, and be sure they hold the proper credentials and that they are in good standing in their respective Conference.

Rev. Edward F. Green of Southern Pines, N. C., (an ordained minister in good and regular standing of the Conference of the Congregational Churches of the Carolinas) has presented the proper credentials to this committee for membership in the Conference and we recommend that he be received and his name enrolled.

(The last item is a supplement to the original report.)

M. A. POLLARD,
S. M. PENN,
Committee.

Benediction by Rev. M. A. Pollard.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by Rev. T. E. White.

Hymn—"I Need Thee Every Hour."

Rev. T. G. Green conducted the Devotional Service, reading from the fourteenth chapter of St. John. He compared the work of the Conference and its relationship to the Southern Convention to the Scripture as read.

The President appointed the following Auditing Committee: Rev. E. Carl Brady and W. H. Freeman.

Rev. T. J. Green submitted report of Committee on Home Missions. Report was discussed by Rev. H. V. Cox.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD.

If the Christian Church is to do its part in reaching the unsaved of the world, its membership must live Christianity, as well as profess it, so that those who attend our services will fall in love with the Christian Religion and be constrained to come to the Christ we serve and yield themselves to Him, "Whom to know is life eternal." Realizing that this is the work for the Church to point men and women to the lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world, and feeling keenly the responsibility as a Church, of carrying the Gospel Message to the unsaved, let us endeavor to build a stronger Home Base, so as to provide proper support for enlarged Foreign Mission work. To assist in the accomplishment of such a purpose, we urge our laymen to manage the finances of the local Church, and suggest the Bible plan to increase our funds, as the best plan to adopt.

All of our churches, except one, have had regular preaching this year, we are glad to report. The Committee will gladly advise and cooperate with churches in securing pastors and in solving church problems that come within the jurisdiction of the Committee.

Your Committee met on January 29, 1936 and out of the funds that were appropriated for Home Mission work, granted help to the following churches: Brown's Chapel, \$40, to help on repairs to Church; Benneett 50-50 to the amount of \$50, on payment on Pastor's salary.

We recommend that Bennett be granted same amount as last year (on same basis) for pastor's salary.

We recommend that Hamlet be granted, on her church debt, one dollar for every two they raise, the amount given not to exceed \$200.00.

We recommend that High Point First Church be granted \$25.00 for church repairs.

H. V. Cox,
J. M. ALLRED,
T. J. GREEN,

Committee.

Geo. T. Gunter was elected Conference Director of Christian Education, to assist the Board of Christian Education in its work in this Conference.

Report on North Carolina Woman's Missionary Conference was read by the Conference Secretary. The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

The Twenty-Fourth Annual Session of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Conference was held at Durham Congregational-Christian Church, Durham, N. C., Tuesday, October 6, 1936, the theme for the day being "The Spirit of God in Human Experience." This proved to be the best Conference yet. The day was perfect, the fellowship fine, and the program as a whole most uplifting. I would like especially to mention the addresses of Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mrs. John G. Truitt, and Dr. H. Shelton Smith. They were not only inspiring, but informative as well; also, the worshipful devotion led by Mrs. Robert G. Smith.

On our Conference roll we have sixty-eight Woman's Societies; fourteen Young People's Societies Societies; seven Willing Workers; and thirteen Cradle

Roll Societies. But out of that number reporting to our State Treasurer, we have only fifty-three Woman's Societies; ten Young People's Societies; five Willing Workers, and eight Cradle Roll Societies.

Our financial goal for the year was \$4,000.00. We paid into our state treasury \$4,021.78. Of that amount \$1,181.19 was raised by Societies from the Western Conference. From this Conference, we have on our Treasurer's roll fourteen Woman's Societies; two Young People's Societies; three Cradle Roll Societies.

I would not close this report without giving due recognition and appreciation to our retiring officers: Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, Miss Alice May Holmes, Mrs. W. P. Lawrence, Miss Mary Fix, Mrs. B. N. Newman, and Mrs. W. T. Scott. Most especially are we indebted to Mrs. Harrell, our retiring president, who has given untiringly of her efforts, means and talents. Her work and deep interest throughout the Conference is greater than we can estimate.

As we review the work of the past year, we feel that our efforts have not been in vain, and that we have definite cause for encouragement; but we feel more keenly the fact that challenging work at our door has been left undone. This has given the women of our Conference a greater desire and determination to make this year, 1936-37, our greatest for missions; and we urge you as representatives of the various churches to take home this same desire and determination, realizing that the mission of the Church must fail unless the Church as a whole rallies to the mission cause.

MRS. O. H. PARIS,

President.

Because of the absence of Committee on Apportionments, motion was made and carried that Apportionments for coming year be the same as for the past year. The apportionments are as follows:

APPORTIONMENTS.

Antioch (C)	\$ 35.00	Needham's Grove	25.00
Antioch (R)	30.00	New Center	50.00
Bailey's Grove	30.00	Parks' Cross Roads	80.00
Bennett	35.00	Patterson's Grove	30.00
Big Oak	50.00	Pleasant Cross	45.00
Biscoe	27.50	Pleasant Grove	85.00
Brown's Chapel	50.00	Pleasant Hill	85.00
Ether	40.00	Pleasant Ridge	85.00
Flint Hill (M)	15.00	Pleasant Union	25.00
Flint Hill (R)	40.00	Providence Chapel	10.00
Glendon	50.00	Ramseur	80.00
Grace's Chapel	40.00	Randleman	55.00
Graham	50.00	Seagrove	45.00
Graham Prov. Memorial	50.00	Shady Grove	35.00
Hamlet	10.00	Shiloh	50.00
Hank's Chapel	80.00	Smithwood	50.00
High Point, First	50.00	Sophia	50.00
High Point, East Green	10.00	Spoon's Chapel	25.00
Liberty	25.00	Union Grove	50.00
Mt. Pleasant	25.00	Zion	50.00

Rev. John Q. Pugh read report on Superannuation, which was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

We, your committee, recommend that the following names be continued on our list: W. N. Hayes, Mrs. G. R. Underwood, G. O. Lankford, and Mrs. L. W.

Fogleman. We also recommend that each church take an offering at Christmas time and that each active minister mail a Fellowship Letter with a donation at Christmas.

JOHN Q. PUGH,
THOMAS LOW,
D. R. MOFFITT,
Committee.

Revs. T. J. Green and H. V. Cox were added to Committee on Resolutions.

Rev. S. M. Penn offered an Amendment to report on Education. The Amendment was adopted. (See report on Education.)

The report of Committee on Place was given by J. E. Stout. Five churches invited the next Conference and the Committee recommended that we accept the invitation from Big Oak Church. The report was accepted, (and the 1937 Conference goes to Big Oak).

Treasurer, O. D. Lawrence, submitted his report. Motion made by Rev. E. Carl Brady, Chairman of Auditing Committee (that had found report to be correct) that report be adopted. Motion seconded and carried, and report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1935.

RECEIPTS.

Nov. 6	Balance in treasury	\$ 74.09
7	Collections from churches	1,216.35
	Total receipts	\$1,290.44

1935.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Nov. 15	Geo. T. Gunter, sec. duties, postage, stationery, etc.	\$ 29.85
23	J. O. Atkinson, Home Mission Fund	350.00
27	W. C. Wicker, Treasurer, S. C. C.	750.00
1936.		
Mar. 9	Central Publishing Co. for ANNUALS	95.00
18	Geo. T. Gunter, postage, etc.	4.75
	Total disbursements	1,229.60
Nov. 4	Balance in Treasury	\$ 60.84
5	Collections from churches	1,169.83
	Total in Treasury	\$1,230.67

Hymn—"How Firm a Foundation."

The President appointed Standing Committees as follows:

Executive Committee—Revs. T. E. White, E. Carl Brady, T. J. Green.

Home Missions—Rev. H. V. Cox, J. M. Allred, T. J. Green.

Foreign Missions—Revs. M. A. Pollard, A. L. Lucas, G. M. Tally.

Religious Literature—Revs. G. M. Tally, J. M. Allred and D. R. Moffitt.

Education—Revs. E. Carl Brady, G. O. Lankford, M. A. Pollard, S. M. Penn, A. L. Lucas.

Evangelism—Revs. S. M. Penn, J. M. Allred, B. H. Lowdermilk.

Sunday School and Christian Endeavor—Geo. T. Gunter, Rev. M. A. Pollard, Alva Ashley.

Social Service—Revs. J. U. Fogleman, M. A. Pollard, A. L. Lucas.

Apportionments—Cyrus Shoffner, I. H. Faust, W. H. Freeman, Rev. T. J. Green.
Superannuation—Rev. J. Q. Pugh, I. H. Faust, Thomas Low.
Program—Revs. T. E. White, S. M. Penn, E. Carl Brady, T. J. Green.
Ministerial and Church Ethics—Revs. T. J. Green, S. M. Penn, E. Carl Brady.

Rev. T. J. Green offered report of Committee on Resolutions, which was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee, submit the following report:

1. That this Conference express its appreciation for the splendid program prepared and carried out during this Conference.
2. That we express our thanks to the pastor, members, and friends of this church for their kindness and hospitality.
3. That we express our gratitude for the spirit of harmony and Christian fellowship which have prevailed throughout the Conference.
4. To our president, Rev. T. E. White, we would express our deep appreciation for the kindly and efficient manner in which he has presided over this Conference.

T. J. GREEN,
H. V. COX,

Committee.

Motion made and carried that \$250.00 of present funds be set aside for use of Committee on Home Missions. (This amount to be added \$100.00 left from last year's funds.)

The Treasurer was authorized: (1) To retain \$200.00 for Conference expenses; (2) To pay Secretary's salary \$25.00) and postage; (3) To remit balance of funds to Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treasurer of Southern Convention.

Motion made and carried that the Treasurer be allowed \$5.00 for his services.

The Conference voted to have minutes printed in the Annual, secure 200 copies of Annual, and distribute them on a pro rata basis.

Minutes of the day were read and approved.

Motion made and carried that Conference adjourn to meet with Big Oak Church (near Biscoe) on Wednesday after first Sunday in November, 1937, at ten o'clock.

Benediction by Rev. T. E. White.

T. E. WHITE,
President.
GEO. T. GUNTER,
Secretary.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

John M. Allred—Churches: Randleman, Union Grove, Ether. Sermons, 80; conversions, 50; members received, 12; marriages, 6; baptisms, 8; funerals, 9; salary, \$407.60.

E. Carl Brady—Churches: Brown's Chapel, Needham's Grove, Pleasant Cross. Sermons, 31; conversions, 25; members received, 7; addresses, 5; baptisms, 7; visits, 50; funerals, 2.

H. V. Cox—Churches: Addor and Hamlet. Sermons, 40; conversions, 40; members received, 17; marriages, 1; baptisms, 3; funerals, 3; visits, several; salary, \$161.90.

W. J. Edwards—Church: East Green, High Point. Sermons, 15; conversions, 15; members received, 6; addresses, 1; baptisms, 3; visits, several; salary, \$71.70.

J. U. Fogleman—No charge.

T. J. Green—Churches: Mt. Bethel and Kallam Grove (in N. C. & Va. Conference). Sermons, 50; conversions, several; members received, 18; marriages, 2; baptisms, 19; visits, 100; salary, \$325.00.

W. N. Hayes—No charge. Superannuated.

G. O. Lankford—No work because of physical disability.

A. L. Lucas—Church: Providence Chapel. Sermons, 180; conversions, 75; marriages, 5; addresses, 6; baptisms, 9; visits, 200; funerals, 10.

B. H. Lowdermilk—Churches: Pleasant Union, Spoon's Chapel. Sermons, 80; members received, 31; marriages, 10; addresses, 26; baptisms, 13; visits, 881; funerals, 8; salary, \$2,820.00.

B. H. Lowdermilk—Churches: Pleasant Union, Spoon's Chapel. Sermons, 80; conversions, 64; members received, 14; marriages, 2; baptisms, 16; visits, 50; funerals, 2; salary, \$161.38.

W. C. Martin—No charge. Sermons, 4; marriages, 4.

D. R. Moffitt—Church Antioch (R). Sermons, 42; conversions, 1; members received, 1; baptisms, 7; visits, several; funerals, 9; salary, \$45.00.

S. M. Penn—Churches: Sophia, Flint Hill (R), High Point, First. Sermons, 131; conversions, 8; members received, 10; marriages, 3; addresses, 3; baptisms, 6; visits, 550; funerals, 6; salary, \$1,000.00.

M. A. Pollard—Churches: Smithwood, Pleasant Hill, Liberty. Sermons, 94; conversions, 12; members received, 12; marriages, 5; addresses, 13; baptisms, 12; visits, 642, funerals, 12.

John Q. Pugh—Churches: New Center, Bailey's Grove. Sermons, 81; conversions, 40; members received, 13; addresses, 17; baptisms, 10; visits, many; funerals, 9; salary, \$154.45.

G. M. Tally—Churches: Hank's Chapel, Ramseur, Parks' Cross Roads, Shiloh, Seagrove, Big Oak, Christian Chapel (Eastern N. C. Conference). Sermons, 177; conversions, 72; members received, 46; marriages, 2; addresses, 11; baptisms, 23; visits, many; funerals, 12; salary, \$1,301.30.

T. E. White—Churches: Pleasant Grove, Shady Grove, Biscoe, Bennett, Flint Hill (M). Sermons, 86; conversions, 7; members received, 8; marriages, 1; addresses, 5; funerals, 3; salary, \$411.31.

CHURCH STATISTICS—WESTERN

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Membership Last Year.	Present Membership.
Antioch (C.)	No Report.			
Antioch (R.)	D. R. Moffitt	Mrs. M. Cain, Ramseur, N. C., R. 1.	73	73
Bailey's Grove.	J. Q. Pugh.	Mrs. Pearl Allred, Randleman, N. C.	27	35
Bennett.	T. E. White.	L. M. Murray, Bennett, N. C.	21	21
Big Oak.	Geo. M. Tally.	D. E. Cole, Biscoe, N. C., R. 1.	176	142
Biscoe.	T. E. White.	O. H. Lambert, Biscoe, N. C.	37	38
Brown's Chapel.	E. C. Brady.	Mrs. Iola McDuffie, Spies, N. C.	196	206
Burlington, First.	J. H. Lightbourne.	J. I. Somers, Burlington, N. C.	707	724
Ether.	J. M. Allred.	Mrs. C. C. Phillips, Ether, N. C.	94	98
Flint Hill (Moore).	T. E. White.	Mrs. Mildred Staley, Star, N. C., R. 1.	29	31
Flint Hill (Rand.)	S. M. Penn.	Lola Farlow, Sophia, N. C., R. 1.	42	44
Grace's Chapel.	J. A. Denton.	Mrs. Ralph Foushee, Sanford, N. C., R. 1.	162	178
Graham.	W. A. Grissom.	J. D. Kernodle, Graham, N. C.	23	23
Graham Prov. Mem.	A. L. Granger.	Mrs. Ella Holt, Graham, N. C.	58	60
Hamlet (East).	H. V. Cox.	E. C. Tennant, Hamlet, N. C.	27	43
Hank's Chapel.	G. M. Tally.	Ralph Riddle, Pittsboro, N. C.	167	168
High Point, First.	S. M. Penn.		80	88
High Pt., E. Green.	W. J. Edwards.	Garnett Barnes, High Point, N. C.	24	21
Liberty.	M. A. Pollard.	C. L. Bray, Liberty, N. C.	27	27
Mount Pleasant.	L. L. Wyrick.	Z. V. Brooks, Vass, N. C., R. 2.	80	80
Needham's Grove.	E. C. Brady.	J. M. Needham, Steeds, N. C., R. 1.	90	88
New Center.	J. Q. Pugh.	Mrs. L. B. Craven, Seagrove, N. C.	89	83
Parks Cross Roads.	G. M. Tally.	W. R. Rightsell, Ramseur, N. C., R. 2.	175	172
Pleasant Cross.	E. Carl Brady.	Miss Ethel Malone, Asheboro, N. C.	73	70
Pleasant Grove.	T. E. White.	J. M. Brown, Bennett, N. C., R. 1.	291	289
Pleasant Hill.	M. A. Pollard.	Paul E. Coble, Liberty, N. C., R. 2.	202	200
Pleasant Ridge.	J. F. Apple.	G. C. Craven, Ramseur, N. C.	160	159
Pleasant Union.	B. H. Lowdermilk.	Mrs. A. R. McDowell, Jackson Creek, N. C.	36	38
Providence Chapel.	No Report.			
Ramseur.	G. M. Tally.	Mrs. Sue Grimes, Ramseur, N. C.	129	130
Randleman.	J. M. Allred.	W. G. Lamb, Randleman, N. C.	85	85
Seagrove.	G. M. Tally.	Miss Lena Russell, Seagrove, N. C.	32	49
Shady Grove.	T. E. White.	Mrs. W. T. Shankle, Ether, N. C.	80	78
Shiloh.	G. M. Tally.	R. M. Stout, Ramseur, N. C.	116	112
Smithwood.	M. A. Pollard.	W. D. Humble, Liberty, N. C.	201	210
Spoon's Chapel.	B. H. Lowdermilk.	Mabel Ingold, Asheboro, N. C.	36	38
Sophia.	S. M. Penn.	Troy Hall, Sophia, N. C.	52	52
Union Grove.	J. M. Allred.	W. R. Brown, Asheboro, N. C., R. 1.	102	105
Zion.	J. A. Denton.	Clara B. Wicker, Sanford, N. C., R. 5.	148	149
Totals.			4,137	4,207

NOTE.—Glendon and Patterson Grove sent no reports.

*Includes \$120.00 for Convention Fund, and \$45.00 for Christian Education.

†Includes amount raised by Missionary Society.

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Paid on Conference Apportionment.	Amount Raised for Missions.	Amount Raised for Elon College.	Amount Raised for Superannuation.	Amount Raised by Missionary Society.	Amount Raised for Orphanage.	Amount Paid on Pastor's Salary.	All Other Expenses.	Total Amount Raised.	Value of Church Property.
\$ 9.00					\$ 5.40	\$ 45.00	\$ 90.93	\$ 150.33	\$ 800
10.50	\$ 5.40					89.57	68.38	178.95	1,200
12.75					2.70	51.60	21.35	88.40	2,500
25.00					10.92	153.02	110.66	299.60	500
10.00	20.13	\$ 4.11		\$ 25.50	26.70	128.45	104.78	319.67	4,700
15.20	6.90				3.15	41.35	27.32	93.92	1,500
*550.00	571.95	442.27	\$ 144.45	992.60	2,546.64	2,820.00	5,225.45	†13,008.36	100,000
15.00	20.75	35.00			27.60	78.93	50.15	214.43	450
10.71	6.67	1.57			3.27	30.16	18.62	70.31	500
8.00	7.00					40.00	57.00	104.00	2,000
40.00	3.00			10.50	18.86	200.00	158.87	†431.23	1,200
5.00						60.00	104.36	169.36	2,400
20.00									4,000
						111.27	645.70	756.97	2,500
20.32	42.60			35.00	16.25	225.00	72.74	†412.91	5,000
	24.00				38.00	150.00	262.44	474.44	2,500
10.00	3.00			8.90		71.39	130.38	†223.67	
25.00	19.26	5.42			35.37	87.91	99.31	272.27	3,000
15.00	13.74	4.42	2.75		14.74	120.00	48.58	219.23	2,000
25.00	2.81				7.53	22.55	131.45	189.34	1,000
6.61	5.79				4.48	64.88	15.75	97.50	700
32.00	13.33					190.00	118.67	386.65	4,000
21.30	10.00				4.14	83.00	32.94	151.38	2,000
17.00						180.00	12.00	209.00	3,000
34.39	43.58	10.07		25.20	106.41	253.04	343.10	†649.57	2,500
85.00	3.38		3.35	21.15	13.77	360.46	462.71	†864.82	3,000
5.00					3.25	62.10	57.28	127.63	1,500
60.00	55.14			57.00	107.21	205.00	340.17	†838.11	4,000
55.00				6.00	15.00	216.00	629.44	†921.44	3,500
30.00	3.90				10.00	150.00	163.67	357.57	3,000
4.00		1.00			4.00	35.00	27.00	71.00	
12.50	18.26				22.04	150.00	128.03	290.53	1,000
18.87						200.00	525.00	743.87	6,500
3.55	3.00				9.35	46.30		62.10	200
	7.00					67.50	40.60	108.10	2,000
50.00	8.35				15.10	112.50	247.66	433.61	1,250
21.25	30.00				45.00	200.00	55.00	351.25	2,000
\$ 1,282.95	\$ 948.84	\$ 503.86	\$ 150.55	\$ 1181.85	\$ 3,117.88	\$ 7,101.98	\$10,627.49	\$24,336.52	\$ 177,900

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—WESTERN N. C. CONFERENCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. in Cradle Roll.	No. Pupils.	No. in Home Department.	Total Enrollment.	Amount Raised During Year.
Antioch (R.).....	G. K. Needham, Bennett, N. C.....	14		100		114	\$ 45.33
Bailey's Grove.....	Fred Smith, Asheboro, N. C., R 1.....	7		55		62	25.74
Bennett.....	Caesar Phillips, Bennett, N. C.....	6		34		40	18.35
Big Oak.....	S. A. Stevens, Biscoe, N. C., R. D.....	7	18	125		132	94.03
Biscoe.....	J. A. McNeil, Biscoe, N. C.....	5		55		60	66.95
Brown's Chapel.....	J. W. H. Moore, Hemp, N. C.....	6	8	91		105	10.61
Burlington.....	H. N. Truitt, Glen Raven, N. C.....	41	20	489	7	516	3,628.37
Ether.....	No Report.....						
Flint Hill (M.).....	Clarence Hogan, Biscoe, N. C.....	8		60		68	18.62
Flint Hill (R.).....	Edith Cooper, Sophia, N. C., R 1.....	8	5	35		48	27.00
Grace's Chapel.....	J. H. Register, Sanford, N. C., R 1.....	10		176		186	108.87
Graham.....	Mrs. M. R. Rives, Graham, N. C.....	13	7	27		47	47.50
Graham Prov.-Memor	No Report.....						
Hamlet (East).....	E. C. Tennant, Hamlet, N. C.....	7	12	75		94	62.90
Hank's Chapel.....	H. C. Farrell, Pittsboro, N. C.....	8		97		105	120.30
High Point First.....	B. P. Moffitt, 704 E. Commerce St.....	13	28	121		162	102.00
High Pt., East Green	Garnett Barnes, 625 Cable St.....	6		34		40	30.60
Liberty.....	W. A. Ferguson, Liberty, N. C.....	8		52		60	99.31
Mt. Pleasant.....	A. McKay, Cameron, N. C., R 2.....	6		56		62	50.02
Needham's Grove.....	W. W. Ritter, Steeds, N. C., R 1.....	7		73		80	16.00
New Center.....	Jacob Chriscoe, Steeds, N. C., R 1.....	6		24		30	15.75
Parks Cross Roads.....	James Cox, Ramseur, N. C.....	8	14	107		129	95.00
Pleasant Cross.....	E. L. Wright, Ashboro, N. C., R 1.....	8		74		82	32.94
Pleasant Grove.....	M. E. Jones, Bennett, N. C.....	8		134		142	41.77
Pleasant Hill.....	W. D. Hinshaw, Liberty, N. C., R 2.....	10		210		220	275.00
Pleasant Ridge.....	Ernest Bean, Ramseur, N. C.....	16	12	103		131	177.56
Pleasant Union.....	Clarence Snider, Jackson's Creek, N.C.....	8		63		71	35.58
Ramseur.....	Mrs. H. F. Brady, Ramseur, N. C.....	19		197		216	251.26
Randleman.....	S. G. Robbins, Randleman, N. C.....	8		102		110	148.94
Seagrove.....	O. D. Lawrence, Seagrove, N. C.....	4	12	37		53	24.42
Shady Grove.....	B. B. Martin, Ether, N. C.....	5		45		50	10.00
Shiloh.....	Bernard Bray, Ramseur, N. C., R 1.....	7	7	66		80	80.15
Smithwood.....	Thos. Lowe, Liberty, N. C., R 1.....	8		128		136	125.00
Spoon's Chapel.....	Mrs. M. J. Smith, Asheboro, N.C., R1.....	9		51		60	20.39
Sophia.....	T. P. Hayes, Sophia, N. C.....	7		77		84	20.00
Union Grove.....	John H. Ferree, Seagrove, N. C., R. 1.....	12	12	86		110	75.00
Zion.....	Toy Johnson, Sanford, N. C.....	9		105		114	40.00
Totals.....		332	155	3,364	7	3,799	\$6,041.26

Proceedings of the One Hundred and Eleventh Annual Session of the Eastern North Carolina Conference.

LIBERTY CHRISTIAN CHURCH, HENDERSON, N. C.
NOVEMBER, 17, 18, 1936.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The One Hundred and Eleventh Annual Session of the Eastern North Carolina Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches met and was called to order by, Rev. W. C. Wicker, D. D., President, at 10:00 A. M.

Song services were conducted by Rev. S. E. Madren. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. Lee J. Johnson.

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—E. M. Carter, J. A. Denton, Geo. N. Edwards, J. E. Franks, Jas. L. Foster, R. T. Grissom, F. Ervin Hide, B. J. Howard, J. Lee Johnson, J. H. Lee, S. E. Madren, C. Rexford Raymond, M. T. Sorrell, W. C. Wicker.

Churches and Delegates.

Amelia—W. L. Johnson, Lee Penny, Mrs. Lee Penny.

Antioch—Mrs. S. R. Jones, Mrs. H. L. Wall.

Auburn—Letter.

Bethel—A. Holleman, C. B. Holland.

Bethlehem—Letter.

Beulah—A. W. Watkins, Mrs. A. W. Watkins, J. B. Edwards.

Caroleigh—No report.

Cary—C. O. Braswell, Mrs. J. R. Matthews.

Catawba Springs—O. W. Mann, Robert Denton, Eugene Blanchard, John Murray, Dela Yates.

Chapel Hill—No report.

Charleston—No report.

Christian Light—W. E. Hardee, E. C. Blanchard.

Christian Chapel—E. V. Dickens, B. M. Dickens.

Clayton—H. E. Nichols.

Damascus—Walter W. Crabtree, Lonnie Crabtree.

Ebenezer—L. V. Dillard, Mrs. L. V. Dillard, Fenton King, Mrs. Fenton King.

Fuller's Chapel—W. S. Briggs, Vera Moss.

Good Hope—Letter.

Hayes Chapel—No report.

- Henderson*—F. M. Howard, B. H. Nelson, Mrs. E. T. Vickers, Mrs. W. H. Stephens.
- Lebanon*—Letter.
- Lee's Chapel*—M. B. Buchanan.
- Liberty*—Mrs. G. W. Macon, C. O. Eaves, R. C. Ausbon, Mrs. W. H. Ayscue.
- Martha's Chapel*—No report.
- Mebane*—Lillie Foowler, Nanny Fowler.
- Morrisville*—Celestine Cotten, Lessie Pugh.
- Moore Union*—Letter.
- Mt. Auburn*—J. A. Kimball, A. P. Read.
- Mt. Carmel*—Mrs. B. J. Jackson, R. N. Evans.
- Mt. Gilead*—Mrs. J. B. Hight, Susie Hight, Elizabeth Southall.
- Mt. Herman*—Mamie Munford, T. W. Smith.
- New Elam*—R. L. Trotter, Rennie Webster, Vada Goodwin.
- New Hill*—No report.
- New Hope*—W. M. King, Andrew Denton, Joseph Denton.
- Niagara*—Rev. J. S. Johnson.
- Oak Level*—W. H. Hudson.
- O'Kelley's Chapel*—No report.
- Piney Plains*—G. C. Oliver, Mrs. D. I. Stephenson, Mrs. C. W. Franklin.
- Pleasant Hill*—Letter.
- Pleasant Union*—Mrs. A. M. Long, Mrs. I. C. McKenney, Mrs. M. E. Wilder, Mrs. Mabel Green.
- Plymouth*—B. G. Partin, W. B. Rowland.
- Pope's Chapel*—H. G. Holmes, Mrs. H. G. Holmes, Nell Holmes.
- Raleigh*—Mrs. E. S. Martin, Mrs. A. O. Harmon, Geo. T. Whitaker.
- Sanford*—Annie Parrish, Mrs. C. C. Way, A. H. McIver.
- Shallow Well*—J. Walker Kelly, Mrs. Doyl McFarland, Mrs. A. S. Thomas.
- Six Forks*—No report.
- Southern Pines*—Rev. Edward F. Green.
- Turner's Chapel*—Ruth Dawson, Mrs. R. L. Ross, Bennie Dawson.
- Wake Chapel*—R. M. Dickens, Mrs. Lee Johnson, K. B. Johnson, H. W. Johnson, W. J. Ballentine.
- Wentworth*—W. M. Rowland, Geo. M. Williams, B. L. Brown.
- Youngsville*—J. L. Brown, Mrs. Hattie Scarborough, Mrs. W. A. Massey.

The following ministers were received to membership, by transfer, Rev. John S. Johnson, Puritan Association of Ohio; Rev. J. Everett Neese, N. C. and Va. Conference; Rev. Carl H. Voss, Western Penn. Association of Congregational Churches and Ministers.

Rev. S. E. Madren, pastor of the church, heartily welcomed the Conference to the church and the community. Rev. F. Ervin Hide responded in behalf of the Conference.

The following visitors were introduced: Rev. Stanley C. Harrell, D. D., President of the Southern Convention; Rev. J. S. Carden, of the N. C. and Va. Conference; Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Secretary of Missions of the Southern Christian Convention; Rev. T. E. White, of the W. N. C. Conference; Rev. J. L. Neese, of the N. C. and Va. Conference, and, Supt. Charles D. Johnson.

The President appointed the following Special Committees:

Nomination—Geo. T. Whitaker, A. H. McIver, K. B. Johnson.

Press—Rev. Carl H. Voss, J. Everett Neese.

Dr. Stanley C. Harrell addressed the Conference on the subject: "The Measure of a Christian Influence."

The Quiet Hour Communion Service was conducted by Rev. C. Rexford Raymond, assisted by Rev. Carl H. Voss.

Adjourned for lunch. Benediction by Rev. Carl H. Voss.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President. After song by the congregation, Rev. E. M. Carter lead the opening prayer.

Superintendent, Chas. D. Johnson spoke of, "Our Orphanage" and an offering for the Orphanage was received of \$30.06.

Rev. F. C. Lester, Editor of *The Christian Sun*, was introduced to the Conference and seated as a deliberative member.

REPORT ON STEWARDSHIP.

We, your Committee on Stewardship, submit the following:

Paul says, "It is required in stewardship that a man be found faithful." A Christian steward is one whose time, talent, money, body and soul belong to God. If all Christians would acknowledge their stewardship relations to God as they should, the church would not have the struggle which it now faces. Not only our time, talents and money, but every quality of our lives, would receive a new consecration. We would then realize that we hold all our possessions in trust from God. Man's faithfulness in the stewardship of his possessions signifies his faithfulness in the use of his money. Therefore, we offer the following recommendations:

1. That we strive earnestly to give systematically according to the Scriptures, "Upon the first day of the week," and not put it off until the last day of the year.
2. That a new stress be placed upon tithing through the church.
3. That we practice as well as teach the amount of money which belongs to the Lord, and give back to Him as the Lord has prospered us.
4. That we regard stewardship as a spiritual task to be performed rather than a burden to be borne.
5. That we seek to "present our bodies a living sacrifice unto God which is our reasonable service."

MRS. B. M. NEWMAN,
Chairman.

The report was adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1935.	RECEIPTS.		
Nov. 19.	Balance on hand		\$ 164.99
	Collected on Conf. Apportionments ...		956.98
	Total receipts		<u>\$1,121.97</u>
	DISBURSEMENTS.		
Nov. 20.	To Orphanage	16.81	
22.	To Rev. W. C. Wicker, Trea.	752.00	
	To Rev. E. M. Carter	25.00	
Dec. 3.	To Rev. J. L. Foster	50.00	
Apr. 7.	To Central Publishing Co.	52.25	
		<u>896.06</u>	
1936.	Nov. 16.	Balance on hand	\$ 225.91
	W. J. BALLENTINE,		
	Treasurer.		

The report was referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

These Annual Reports are made because of custom, and not because we think they will be read and carried out. Resolutions die at the close of the session of Conference; therefore, your Committee on Religious Literature asks but brief consideration.

The world market is filled with all manner of printed literature. The superabundance is for sale and not for salvation. Much literature is not even moral nor wholesome, for the home.

It's the churches' business to furnish a Christian literature of such grades or courses that the children can read, the young people can read and be interested in and also the adults may read and be better equipped for church life; all these courses are so related that the mind and heart can absorb the truths adapted to the age. The church should seek to plant rightness in the life before the world forces wrongness in the habit forming period. The beauty and blessedness of Christian literature in the home and Sunday School is the child who absorbs Christian teaching from the printed page.

"Precept upon precept, line upon line, here a little and there a little." This absorption is a process for years. The best mode for this spiritual absorption is in a good system of Sunday School Literature. Your committee thinks the supplies as issued by our own Publishing House at Dayton, Ohio, and 14 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass., are well adapted for the use of our Congregational-Christian Sunday Schools. We ask our Sunday Schools not to buy irresponsible literature because it is cheap. Our papers and quarterlies are reliable and of high class. You may find at the Publishing Houses splendid and well adapted leaflets, pamphlets and books for distribution and sale in your effort to possess a knowledge of church life.

We heartily recommend to our people the reading of Christian biographies in the process of character building. We place our heartiest endorsement upon, and our strongest recommendation of *The Christian Sun*, and *The Advance*—home teachers of religion.

The Sun gives itself for all other institutions of the Church. Its contents are of a high moral standard and splendid spiritual teaching. Its weekly visits into the church homes are like a real teacher—imparting here a little and there a little. Our most loyal and liberal church members are those who have read *The Sun* from their childhood. Its teachings are for all ages of the church life. The reading, week by week, of such matter as we find in *The Sun* increases our in-

formation as to our church and makes an impression on our life. We ask that all Congregational-Christian families subscribe and pay for *The Sun*. It is now our only general church paper that is published weekly; and should go into the thousands of homes in the South, North, East and West. We are much in need of a new edition of *The Principles and Government of the Church*, with the necessary changes and additions that will make it workable in the merged church. Such an edition is necessary for the proper information of our church membership. We, therefore, urge our Commission on Publications to give this matter immediate attention.

There are Bibles in almost every home, but not its teachings in every life. We would persuade all people to a more daily reading of the Bible. "If any man needs wisdom let him ask of God," John 1: 5. What a person reads determines what his character is. As we think, so we become. Let thy heart be without words rather than thy words without heart.

As we read Christian Literature and absorb the spirit of the New Testament, our conversation, our living will be seasoned more with heart love. We beg our church members to try and get the habit of daily Bible reading, so that we may better know Him and His will.

JAS. L. FOSTER,
L. L. VAUGHAN,
B. J. HOWARD,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

We, the members of the Committee on Home Missions, submit the following report and recommendations:

1. We regret that lack of funds makes it impossible for favorable consideration to be given all requests for supplements from Conference funds. Since our funds are extremely limited and the distribution of same in small amounts, as in the past, benefits only a few individuals and renders but little service to the Conference, we, therefore, recommend that the present President and Secretary of the Conference together with Rev. Carl H. Voss be requested to act as a Committee for the purpose of arranging for and forming a pastorate as quickly as possible, consisting of not more than three or four churches within the boundaries of the conference when there appears to be an exceptional opportunity for service and growth and that this same Committee work with the field in securing a competent minister to serve this pastorate. We further recommend that all funds now available for Home Mission be used to supplement this work for the ensuing Conference year and that this be made our Home Mission project for a period of five years, it being understood, however, that financial assistance from the Conference is to be decreased at the rate of 20 per cent annually. We also recommend that the minister selected for this work be required to report on the progress of the work in a special report at each session of Conference during the five year period. We believe that such a plan, properly worked under the right type of leadership, will be the means of enlarging our service and increasing our church membership.

2. Since sufficient funds could not be made available to pay off the indebtedness of our Cary, N. C. Church, your committee offers no recommendation with reference to this matter.

3. At the request of the last annual Conference and after spending considerable time and some money in the matter, your committee has investigated the question of the ownership of the Franklinton, N. C. Church property. As a result of this investigation and after consulting a competent attorney whose opinion in writing is attached to this report, the following conclusion has been reached:

It appears that the Church at Franklinton decided to disband, that three members of the Church were relieved of their personal obligation in consideration of the property and liabilities being taken over by The Mission Board of The Southern Christian Convention; that The Mission Board has paid or will pay off all the obligations against the property and has contributed approximately \$5,600.00 to this undertaking; that this is in accordance with resolutions passed at various times and that a deed conveying the property to The Mission Board of The Southern Christian Convention has properly been made and that all of this is in accordance with resolutions and agreements in connection with this work.

We, therefore, recommend that our Conference recognize the ownership of this property as that of The Mission Board of The Southern Christian Convention and that any discussion with reference to the ownership of same in this or any future session of the Conference be termed as out of order.

It is indeed regrettable that a sum of approximately \$1,000.00, raised locally by the Franklinton Church, is involved. However, our recommendation is made after a most thorough examination of all records at the Court House in Franklin County pertaining to this matter and upon the advice of a disinterested and reputable attorney.

4. In the event the Conference should vote to appropriate money for purposes other than the plan outlined and explained in item No. 1 of this report, we recommend that such action be taken subject to the joint approval of the Home Mission and Executive Committee of the Conference and that these committees be requested to investigate each case or application separately before approving or disapproving.

A. H. McIVER,
K. B. JOHNSON,
S. E. MADREN,
Committee.

FACTS WITH RELATION TO FRANKLINTON PROPERTY.

1. By deed dated November 11, 1914, this property was deeded to The Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference by Henry May, widower.

2. On February 15, 1915, North Carolina Christian Conference executed a mortgage deed to The Home Mission Board of the Southern Christian Convention, for the sum of \$500.00. This mortgage deed seems never to have been cancelled of record.

3. By action taken December 4, 1918, November 22, 1917, and November 27, 1918, The Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference and The North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference and The Western North Carolina Christian Conference were merged into The North Carolina Christian Conference. By reason of this merger, The North Carolina Christian Conference acquired title to all the property of the three old Conferences and has since that time retained title to said property.

4. By deed dated March 21, 1935, The North Carolina Christian Conference conveyed the Franklinton, North Carolina, Property to The Mission Board, Inc., of the Southern Christian Convention.

5. It seems that there was a deed of trust for \$2,000.00 executed on the parsonage on which note three members of the church were personal endorsers, that they applied to the Conference to be relieved and that they were relieved of their liability and the Conference took over this debt. The next year, 1929, it seems that arrangements were made with the Mission Secretary of The Southern Christian Convention to handle the interest of the Conference at Franklinton, which The Mission Board agreed to do and title to the property was made to the Board so that they could handle the same. The records do not seem to show that this arrangement has ever been changed.

6. It seems to be a fact that The Mission Board paid off a total of \$5600.00 on this property.

Conclusion:

It appears that the church at Franklinton decided to disband, that three members of the church were relieved of their personal obligation in consideration of the property and liabilities being taken over by The Mission Board; that The Mission Board has paid or will pay off all the obligations against the property and has contributed approximately \$5,600.00 to this undertaking; that this is in accordance with resolutions passed at various times and that a deed conveying the property to The Mission Board of The Southern Christian Convention has properly been made and that all of this is in accordance with resolutions and agreements in connection with this work.

This November 16, 1936.

Respectfully submitted,

D. B. TEAGUE,

Attorney-at-Law.

Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mission Secretary, spoke on, "My Twenty-Five Years of Service."

The report was discussed and adopted.

Moved and carried that the expenses of Mr. A. H. McIver, in investigating the titles at Franklinton, be paid.

REPORT ON EVANGELISM.

Our churches continue to suffer a loss in membership, educational, missionary and spiritual interest each year. There is a reason for this and it is hard to say where the trouble lies, but realizing this to be true, it should behoove us as those having an interest in the Kingdom of God to endeavor to correct this situation. Christ never intended for His church to lose ground, but to gain, in that He Himself said, "If I be lifted up, I will draw men unto me." The Church, and its enterprises should have a drawing power and yet we are failing to have that power. We have felt that the loss has been due to an untrained leadership and for the like of a program. We have both and have had on trial for a sufficient time, to prove that this has not proven a remedy for the situation. Our Missions Boards will probably feel that the loss of interest has been due to a lack of missionary interest. We feel that unless you can get a person to have a definite experience with God through salvation, we cannot expect that person to have any interest in His work. Once a person has had a definite change of life, they will be interested in the program of the church.

There has been a lack of cooperation on the part of pastors and members of the church in a definite program of evangelism. It seems we have become divided on methods and seem to feel that because our particular method is not used, we are relieved of our duty. If we are true children of the Lord Jesus Christ, we will be interested in any program or plan that will help men and women to know Christ in the forgiveness of their sins. We had as well face facts as they are than to see for the future a loss of more grounds for the church or a definite determined effort to win men and women to Christ.

We urge that each church and pastor forget the injection of their ideas into the field of evangelism; but instead unite in a definite effort to take the desired plan of evangelism that might be used in their respective field and work, to bring about the desire of seeing the church built up in the name of Christ.

M. T. SORRELL,

J. LEE JOHNSON,

Committee.

The report was discussed and adopted.

REPORT ON SOCIAL SERVICE.

We believe that the teachings of Jesus Christ were and are fundamental to the solution of problems, individual, corporate, national and world. We believe also that the church is the custodian of the teachings of Jesus and that it is her supreme task to put these teachings into practice in our world. We acknowledge and accept our responsibility, therefore we would urge our people to be earnest and openminded seekers after the truth as it relates to all the problems of life. We know that Jesus gave to the world eternal principles rather than specific rules for conduct and that it is our task to study diligently how these principles should be worked out in the concrete situation of our day. Therefore, we would pledge ourselves to the world-wide movement to secure temperance, economic justice, world peace, together with all other welfare movements.

We recommend:

1. That we endorse the efforts of all peace agencies that seek to overthrow war; and, we request that all ministers condemn the militaristic trend in our present world because nationalism expressing itself in imperialistic campaigns for war can not be reconciled with Christianity.

2. That our churches cooperate with the Council of Social Action of the Congregational Christian Churches in its effort to create a warless world; better understand relationship here in America. Be it further resolved, that we urge our ministry and laity to acquaint themselves thoroughly with the powerful social forces that are today at work determining the fate of mankind for good or ill, that all injustice in industrial and agrarian relations be subjected to the security of Christian ethics which is "no respecter of person." That, the rights of the share-croppers and tenant farmers, now so cruelly exploited, be upheld. Nor can we overlook the pathetic plight of an underpaid ministry within the circles of our Congregational-Christian Conference and we therefore strongly recommend that some concrete and constructive action be taken on the matter at this Conference. We urge our ministers and laymen to read *Social Action*, the official organ of the Council in order to be well-informed on these issues.

3. That our Conference go on record as deploring the "hands off" policy of our State in dealing with the liquor traffic. Be it further resolved that we record our protest against the recent wet legislation. We urge our ministers to preach against the evil of the liquor traffic and that they use their influence to create a sentiment against the use of alcohol as a beverage. We would commend the work of the United Dry Forces for their untiring efforts in this direction.

4. That we reaffirm our faith in the sanctity of marriage and the home.

5. That we call upon the people of our churches for a deeper loyalty to Jesus Christ and His Church in order that we might build a new world and possess a Christian Social Order.

F. ERVIN HIDE,
C. REXFORD RAYMOND,
Committee.

After an address by Rev. Carl H. Voss, the report was adopted.

The Entertainment Committee of the local church made its report, assigning homes for the delegates and visitors.

Conference adjourned till 7:30 this evening.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference met and was called to order by the President. Song service was conducted by Rev. S. E. Madren. Devotional service was conducted by Rev. Raymond T. Grissom.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

We realize that the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor are of vital importance in the development of leaders and in Christian training. Many of our Sunday Schools are conducted in one room and, in such conditions as these the best work cannot be done.

We are happy to report a very successful convention held this year. There were twenty of our Sunday Schools represented at this meeting. However, we feel that this attendance was far below what we would like to see. We feel that more stress should be placed upon these vital necessities within our Christian program.

Since our future leaders, and progress must come from the Sunday School and young peoples organizations, we recommend:

1. That all pastors and lay workers have their churches represented at the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor convention next year.
2. That each school plan to send at least one representative to the Elon Summer School of Leadership Training.
3. That we seek to promote the interest of our Sunday School and Christian Endeavor.
4. That we use our church literature in our services.

W. A. GRISSOM,
MRS. B. M. NEWMAN,
Committee.

The report was discussed and adopted.

The Youth Fellowship Association convened with Rev. J. Everett Neese presiding. Prayer by Rev. C. Rexford Raymond, D. D.

Rev. F. C. Lester, Chairman of the Board of Christian Education, brought an address on, "The Meaning of and Leaders in Youth Fellowship."

An offering was received of \$6.25 to aid in the work of the Association.

An address by Rev. J. Everett Neese, subject, "Following Jesus."

The President of Conference appointed Rev. Raymond T. Grissom as Committee on Place for the next year's session of Conference.

Conference adjourned till tomorrow morning at 9:30. Benediction by Rev. J. Everett Neese.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference met and was called to order by the President. Song service was conducted by Rev. C. Rexford Raymond. Devotional service was conducted by Rev. F. Ervin Hide.

Minutes of yesterday's session were read and adopted.

The Committee on Apportionments made its report.

APPORTIONMENT TABLE FOR 1937.

	Conference Fund	Convention Missions	Foreign Missions	Convention Fund	Elon College	Superannuation Fund	Christian Education	Orphanage	Totals
Amelia	\$ 3.00	\$ 9.60	\$ 9.60	\$ 9.60	\$ 24.00	\$ 4.00	\$ 2.40	\$ 10.00	\$ 73.00
Antioch	5.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	39.00	7.80	3.90	20.00	122.50
Auburn	6.00	18.40	18.40	18.40	46.00	9.20	4.60	25.00	176.00
Bethel	3.00	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	10.00	73.00
Bethlehem	2.25	7.20	7.20	7.20	18.00	3.60	1.80	5.00	52.25
Beulah	2.75	8.48	8.48	8.48	21.20	4.24	2.12	10.00	65.75
Caroleigh	1.50	4.80	4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	5.00	36.50
Cary	2.00	5.76	5.76	5.76	14.40	2.88	1.44	18.00	56.00
Catawba Springs	6.75	21.60	21.60	21.60	54.00	10.80	5.40	135.00	276.75
Chapel Hill ...	5.00	14.40	14.40	14.40	36.00	7.20	3.60	10.00	105.00
Charleston	2.25	7.20	7.20	7.20	18.00	3.60	1.80	10.00	57.25
Christian Light	5.00	15.60	15.60	15.60	39.00	7.80	3.90	25.00	127.50
Christian Chapel	6.00	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	10.00	136.00
Clayton	3.75	12.00	12.00	12.00	30.00	6.00	3.00	10.00	87.75
Damascus	5.00	15.60	15.60	15.60	39.00	7.80	3.90	20.00	122.50
Ebenezer	4.50	14.40	14.40	14.40	36.00	7.20	3.60	30.00	124.50
Fuller's Chapel.	4.50	14.40	14.40	14.40	36.00	7.20	3.60	40.00	134.50
Good Hope	3.75	11.84	11.84	11.84	29.60	5.92	2.96	5.00	82.75
Hayes Chapel ...	2.25	7.20	7.20	7.20	18.00	3.60	1.80	15.00	62.25
Henderson	7.50	24.00	24.00	24.00	60.00	12.00	6.00	100.00	257.50
Lebanon	2.25	7.20	7.20	7.20	18.00	3.60	1.80	10.00	57.25
Lee's Chapel ..	2.25	7.20	7.20	7.20	18.00	3.60	1.80	10.00	57.25
Liberty	18.75	59.76	59.76	59.76	149.40	29.88	14.94	150.00	542.50
Martha's Chapel	2.25	7.20	7.20	7.20	18.00	3.60	1.80	10.00	57.25
Mebane	2.00	3.60	3.60	3.60	14.60	2.92	1.46	20.00	58.50
Morrisville	1.25	3.60	3.60	3.60	9.00	1.80	.90	15.00	38.75
Moore Union ..	3.75	10.20	10.20	10.20	25.50	5.10	2.55	10.00	77.50
Mt. Auburn ...	7.50	24.00	24.00	24.00	60.00	12.00	6.00	125.00	282.50
Mt. Carmel ...	4.75	12.00	12.00	12.00	30.00	6.00	3.00	20.00	99.75
Mt. Gilead	5.75	18.00	18.00	18.00	45.00	9.00	4.50	5.00	123.25
Mt. Hermon ..	2.25	7.20	7.20	7.20	18.00	3.60	1.80	35.00	82.25
New Elam	9.50	30.00	30.00	30.00	75.00	15.00	7.50	35.00	232.00
New Hill	2.00	5.84	5.84	5.84	14.60	2.92	1.46	5.00	43.50
New Hope	6.50	20.40	20.40	20.40	51.00	10.00	5.10	5.00	139.00
Niagara	1.25	3.60	3.60	3.60	9.00	1.80	.90	5.00	28.75
Oak Level	5.75	18.00	18.00	18.00	45.00	9.00	4.50	35.00	153.00
O'Kelly's Chapel	3.00	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	5.00	68.00
Piney Plains ..	5.75	18.00	18.00	18.00	45.00	9.00	4.50	35.00	163.00
Pleasant Hill ..	3.00	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	35.00	98.00
Pleasant Union	6.00	20.40	20.40	20.40	51.00	10.20	5.10	35.00	169.00
Plymouth	3.00	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	35.00	98.00
Pope's Chapel ..	4.50	14.40	14.40	14.40	36.00	7.20	3.60	25.00	119.50
Raleigh	9.50	29.76	29.76	29.76	74.40	14.88	7.44	30.00	225.50
Sanford	6.75	21.60	21.60	21.60	54.00	10.80	5.40	60.00	201.75
Shallow Well ..	8.25	26.40	26.40	26.40	66.00	13.20	6.60	60.00	233.25
Southern Pines.	6.75	21.60	21.60	21.60	54.00	10.80	5.40	10.00	151.75
Turner's Chapel	3.00	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	40.00	103.00
Wake Chapel ..	12.00	38.40	38.40	38.40	96.00	19.20	9.60	210.00	462.00
Wentworth	3.75	12.00	12.00	12.00	30.00	6.00	3.00	120.00	198.00
Youngville	2.75	8.48	8.48	8.48	21.20	4.24	2.12	25.00	80.75

Totals\$237.50 \$746.36 \$746.36 \$746.36 \$1865.88 \$373.14 \$186.65 \$1733.00 \$4902.75

The report was amended, that the Orphanage be given a place of apportionment, as a goal. The report was adopted.

Moved and carried that the Committee on Apportionments confer with all the churches and pastors before making their report next year.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Our Lord said: "After that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem . . . and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." Missions are one. We use the word, Home, also the one, Foreign missions simply for convenience of speech and administration, and not to sever the relationship. One is sent out to preach Christ, bear witness of Him and whether the sending in far or near, if Christ is preached and His life and love shared with others, that is missions. When we send men and women to fields afar, we call that Foreign Missions. We are doing foreign mission work in China, Japan, India, Africa, the Phillippine Islands and Mexico—in twelve countries. We have over 600 missionaries in foreign countries; and, over 80,000 children in Sunday Schools and Christian Schools.

We must be missionary if we are to obey Christ and carry out His will. A church that is missionary will do its work in all the interest and enterprises of the church.

We recommend:

1. That we seek to make the whole church missionary by having a Missionary Committee in each local church, and that a missionary program be given from time to time.
2. That our churches take the Annual Easter Offering for missions.
3. That all our Sunday Schools take a monthly missionary offering and, on the Sunday this offering is taken the school have a missionary program.

J. LEE JOHNSON,
Chairman.

While the report was pending, the Women's Mission Board made their report.

REPORT OF WOMEN'S BOARD.

The twenty-fourth Annual Session of the Women's Missionary conference was held with the Durham Congregational-Christian Church, October 6, 1936. It was one of the best conferences that has been held. It was well attended with a very interesting program. During that conference a discussion was held regarding the celebration of the twenty-fifth Anniversary of the organization of the Women's work of our church. All the societies of the conference will be asked to take part in this celebration which will be held some time next spring.

The Treasurer's report showed that the total receipts for the year were, \$4,-021.78, going over the goal and with an increase of \$324.41 over the receipts of last year.

The Eastern North Carolina Conference is a part of the North Carolina Women's Missionary Conference, and has seventeen Women's Societies, two Young People's Societies and two Cradle Rolls. The financial report of the societies for the year is:

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES.

Catawba Springs	\$ 25.00
Chapel Hill	12.00
Fuller's Chapel	31.10
Henderson	75.00
Liberty	110.00
Mt. Auburn	10.00

Niagara Union	4.15	
Piney Plains	38.20	
Pleasant Hill	27.80	
Pleasant Union	3.15	
Raleigh	156.96	
Sanford	75.00	
Shallow Well	75.00	
Turner's Chapel	27.00	
Wake Chapel	60.80	
Charleston	51.12	
Youngsville	15.00	
		797.28
YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.		
Henderson	10.00	
Sanford	5.75	
		15.75
CRADLE ROLLS.		
Raleigh	10.00	
Turner's Chapel	1.55	
		11.55
Total	\$	824.58

The report shows a financial gain with two new societies organized during the year; and, also a loss of several old societies.

The officers of the Conference are as follows: Mrs. O. H. Paris, Greensboro, President; Miss Margaret Alston, Henderson, Vice-President; Mrs. H. D. Lambert, Elon College, Secretary; Mrs. C. H. Stephenson, Raleigh, Treasurer; Mrs. S. C. Harrell, Durham, Supt. Literature; Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Burlington, Supt. Spiritual Life; Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, Greensboro, Supt. of Young People; Mrs. M. W. Hook, Elon College, Supt. of Cradle Rolls.

MARGARET ALSTON,
Vice-President.

The reports were adopted.

Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College and Rev. H. C. Hilliard of the Eastern Virginia Conference were introduced and seated as deliberative members.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education gladly recognizes Elon College as our great agency for Christian education and endorses all the words of praise for Elon in previous reports of this committee, adding these comments on the present situation:

We congratulate the College on the gratifying decrease in its debts and the steady maintenance of an enlarged enrollment of superior students. Our churches have deep obligations to the college which we are in honor bound to discharge. Over 7,000 students have been trained by Elon and about 170 men have received definite training for the Christian ministry. Our churches owe much of their strength to Elon College. We commend the forward movement to pay the last dollar of the obligations of the college and urge our churches to contribute regularly for the support of Elon. The administration of the College merits our hearty support. It has doubled the student attendance and decreased current expenses to about one-half the amount spent annually four years ago. The marvelous reduction of the crushing debt of over \$700,000 in 1935 to about \$160,000 at this date is a great incentive to all judicious givers to provide the necessary funds for the needs of today.

The buildings, faculty, and students of Elon College are our pride and joy. Its leadership in Christian Education is an outstanding contribution to the progress of our churches. We shall not suffer from the perils of an uneducated ministry and untrue teaching in our Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor societies as long as we sustain Elon College with adequate funds and send the best of our youth to its halls for Christian education.

We also appreciate the opportunities at the School of Religion of Duke University for our young ministers to get adequate theological education. Only under very unusual circumstances should any candidate for the ministry today hope for the largest usefulness without the full preparation of a college education and theological seminary training. Our students in Duke University School of Religion have ample opportunity to get practical training in our neighboring churches while pursuing their studies. While fully recognizing the fine opportunity at Vanderbilt University School of Religion and at other great universities in the north and east, it is wise to notice the special advantages to our churches and our ministerial students due to the proximity of Duke University.

We endorse the School of Training for Religious Leadership held each summer at Elon College under the direction of Supt. Edwin C. Gillette and Rev. Fletcher C. Lester; and recommend that our churches cooperate by sending their ministers, Sunday School teachers, and young people who give promise of becoming leaders in developing the work of our churches.

We advise all our ministers to affiliate with and attend the meetings of the Piedmont Association of Congregational and Christian ministers which meets at Elon College on the Monday after the second Sunday of each month. This is for the ministers of all our conferences and helps us deepen and extend our fellowship.

Ministerial Standing—Your Committee on Education notes that we have no committee on ministerial standing. Other conferences have such a committee and we endorse all that the Committee on Ministerial Ethics of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference counsels in its report as printed on pages 104-5 in the last ANNUAL. We note with interest that a sister denomination at its conference recently voted that the President of that Conference should have the duty of reprimanding any minister who might violate ministerial ethics and directed every pastor of that Conference to report any observed violation of ethics to the President of the Conference.

This might bring too great a burden of responsibility on a single person and committee action seems preferable. Inasmuch as your Committee on Education now has the duty of safeguarding licensure and ordination and reviews the credentials of those ministers who come to us from outside our Conference, we recommend that the title of our committee be amended to include the words "And Ministerial Standing." This action would extend our oversight to problems presented when ordained ministers fall into error by disregarding the recognized standards of ministerial ethics. If this action should be approved by the Conference, we recommend that all our pastors be asked to report to the Committee any observed violation of ministerial ethics or improper conduct and that the Committee be instructed to take appropriate action.

Biblical Class and Fellowship—Rev. John S. Johnson, pastor of our church at Niagara, presents his certificate of membership as a pastor in good and regular standing in the Puritan Association of the Congregational and Christian Churches of Ohio and a certificate of transfer to our body, dated April 21, 1936. We recommend his reception to membership with us in full standing as an ordained minister.

Rev. Carl Herman Voss, installed pastor of our United Church at Raleigh, ordained to the Christian ministry in his own church at Pittsburg, Pa., applies for membership and we recommend that he be admitted into full membership by

transfer from the Western Pennsylvania Association of Congregational Churches and ministers—certificate issued May 22, 1936.

Rev. J. Everett Neese, a member of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, is recommended for membership in this Conference on the filing of his credentials and letter of transfer.

Robert M. Kimball, licentiate of this Conference, now a student at Yale University, is recommended for an extension of his license until his graduation and we recommend that he then apply for ordination as a minister.

William Alphonso Grissom, licentiate of this Conference, is doing good work in Elon College and earnestly requests that he be examined for ordination. Your Committee gladly recognizes his sterling worth as a pastor while pursuing his college studies, but believes that our established standards of refraining from encouraging college students to apply for ordination should be maintained. We recommend that his license be continued for one year.

We advise those within the bounds of our Conference who wish to be received as Ministerial Students at Elon College to apply for recommendation by the Conference and we recommend that such students be received by Elon College when and only when so recommended.

C. REXFORD RAYMOND,
F. ERVIN HYDE,
W. C. WICKER,
S. E. MADREN,
E. M. CARTER,

Committee.

The report was discussed and adopted.

A Questionnaire on the past, present and future of Elon College was conducted by Dr. L. E. Smith.

Moved and carried that this Conference go on record approving an immediate plan to present the interest of the college to the people.

Moved and carried that a meeting of the ministers, with three representative laymen, be called immediately to formulate plans in the interest of Elon College Campaign.

"Quiet Hour Devotional" was conducted by Rev. C. Rexford Raymond, D. D. Conference adjourned for lunch.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President.

Song service was conducted by Rev. S. E. Madren. Prayer by Rev. Edward F. Green.

By motion it was decided that the Conference meet with the church at Shallow Well next year.

Moved and carried that the President for the coming year appoint a Historian whose task it will be to gather all the information possible pertaining to the history of the Congregational and Christian Churches and submit same to the Church History Room at Elon College for preservation.

By motion, Rev. F. Ervin Hyde was elected Conference Editor.

Dr. C. Rexford Raymond gave an inspirational message as to his impression of the Convocation of Ministers recently held at Winston-Salem, N. C.

It was moved and carried that our Minutes be published in THE ANNUAL and that we purchase 75 copies, with mailing list to be furnished the Publisher by the Secretary.

Moved and carried that funds be transferred, as may be designated to the Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention.

The Press Committee reported that News Items had been sent to the local newspapers for publication.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Your Committee submits the following nominations as Conference officers for the ensuing year: Dr. W. C. Wicker, President; Rev. F. Ervin Hide, Vice-President; Rev. E. M. Carter, Secretary; Rev. J. Everett Neese, Assistant Secretary; W. J. Ballentine, Treasurer.

We recommend that the election of new officers should be held during the afternoon session of the first day, even though these officers do not enter upon their duties until the close of the current session.

GEO. T. WHITAKER,
A. H. McIVER,
K. B. JOHNSON,
Committee.

By motion the Secretary cast the vote of Conference and the above, as nominated, were elected for the ensuing year.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance beg to report as follows:

We have examined the report of the Treasurer, W. J. Ballentine and, find the same correct, with a balance on hand of \$225.91.

We recommend the payment of the following bills: to A. H. McIver for investigating the title of the property at Franklinton, \$8.00.

The Treasurer reports total collected of this session of Conference \$1,339.31, which has been distributed as follows: Conference Home Missions, \$200.83; Conference Fund, \$178.19; Convention Fund, \$159.74; Convention Home Missions, \$226.30; Foreign Missions, \$390.15; Elon College Fund, \$443.35; Superannuation Fund, \$137.59; Christian Education, \$77.31; total, \$1,813.46.

JAS. L. FOSTER,
K. B. JOHNSON,
W. S. BRIGGS,
Committee.

Moved and carried that the Secretary be paid \$25.00 for his services.

Moved to endorse the plan for a meeting at 10:00 A. M., December 3d, at the United Church, Raleigh, to consider plans to raise our quota, as a conference to extinguish the debt of Elon College. At this meeting, the pastors and a delegate, or delegates, from each church will be invited to attend.

Moved that a vote of thanks be extended to the ladies of the church for the bountiful spread at lunch at noon yesterday and today.

By motion the Secretary be authorized to complete the minutes by fact. If assistance be needed he may consult the President.

The President appointed Standing Committees as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Executive—W. C. Wicker, E. M. Carter, Jessie E. Franks.

Education and Standing of the Ministry—C. Rexford Raymond, F. Ervin Hide, S. E. Madren.

Home Missions—A. H. McIver, K. B. Johnson, L. L. Vaughan.

Foreign Missions—J. Lee Johnson, R. T. Grissom, Miss Margaret Alston.

Evangelism—M. T. Sorrell, J. A. Denton, J. S. Johnson.

Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor—J. Everett Neese, W. A. Grissom, Robert M. Kimball.

Social Service—F. Ervin Hide, Carl H. Voss, J. A. Kimball.

Religious Literature—Mrs. B. M. Newman, Miss Lillie Fowler, Miss Margaret Alston.

Stewardship—S. E. Madren, J. Lee Johnson, J. Everett Neese.

Superannuation—K. B. Johnson, J. A. Kimball, W. H. Hudson.

Apportionments—L. L. Vaughan, J. L. Foster, W. J. Ballentine.

Finance—J. L. Foster, W. M. Goodwin, W. S. Briggs.

Program—W. C. Wicker, E. M. Carter, J. Everett Neese.

Conference Reporter—F. Ervin Hide.

By motion the Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Shallow Well, Tuesday after the third Sunday in November, 1937, at 10:00 A. M.

W. C. WICKER, *President*,

E. M. CARTER, *Secretary*.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

E. M. Carter—Churches: Good Hope, Mt. Auburn, Fuller's Chapel, Moore Union, Lebanon, Youngsville. Sermons, 90; conversions, 12; members, 12; baptisms, 6; visits, 300; marriages, 3; funerals, 11; salary, \$898.40.

J. A. Denton—Churches: Zion, Ebenezer, Glendon, Turner's Chapel, Grace Chapel. Sermons, 110; conversions, 90; members, 65; baptisms, 55; marriages, 6; funerals, 19; salary, \$1,250.00.

Jas. L. Foster—Churches: Oak Level, Newsom's Chapel (mission point). Sermons, 61; conversions, 1; members, 3; baptisms, 2; visits, 110; salary, \$239.58.

J. E. Franks—No churches on account of ill health. Sermons, a few; marriages, 1; funerals, 6.

R. T. Grissom—Churches: (Since June 1st) Beulah, Damascus, Lee's Chapel, New Elam, Christian Light, New Hope. Sermons, 215; addresses, 12; members, 35; baptisms, 30; visits, 450; funerals, 4; salary, \$950.00.

F. Ervin Hide—Churches: Shallow Well, Sanford. Sermons, 153, addresses, 15; conversions, doesn't recall; members, 15; baptisms, 7; visits, 1,243; marriages, 4; funerals, 33; salary, \$1,000.00.

B. J. Howard—Church: Mebane. Sermons, 17; addresses, 3; funerals, 5; salary, \$93.37.

J. Lee Johnson—Churches: Catawba Springs, Bethel, Wentworth, Piney Plains, Wake Chapel, Pleasant Union, Pleasant Hill. Sermons, 108; conversions, doesn't recall; members, 48; baptisms, 35; visits, 200; marriages, 7; funerals, 22; salary, \$1,260.00.

J. S. Johnson—Church: Niagara Union. Sermons, 40; visits, 71; salary, \$62.99.

S. E. Madren—Churches: Liberty, Henderson, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Gilead. Sermons, 172; conversions, 65; members, 70; baptisms, 61; visits, 600; marriages, 9; funerals, 14; salary, \$1,225.00.

C. Rexford Raymond—Church: Southern Pines. Sermons, 61; addresses, 14; conversions, unknown; members, 1; baptisms, 1; visits, 600; marriages, 2; funerals, 3; salary, \$1,500.00.

M. T. Sorrell—Church: Danville (Va.). Sermons, 156; addresses, 44; professions, 150; members, 140; baptisms, 54; visits, 887; funerals, 37; salary, \$1,500.00.

Carl H. Voss—Church: Raleigh. Sermons, 50; addresses, 30; members, 29; visits, 300; funerals, 3; salary, \$1,800.00.

W. C. Wicker—Church: Pleasant Grove (Va.). Sermons, 30; conversions, 20; members, 18; salary, \$300.00.

Licentiates:

Robert M. Kimball—Church: Supply at Columbus, Ga., June 17th to September 6th. Sermons, 25; visits, 75; salary, \$112.00.

W. A. Grissom—Churches: Amelia, Clayton, Bethlehem, Antioch, Supply at Plymouth, Hayes Chapel, Cary. Sermons, 100; conversions, 25; members, 23; visits, 300; salary, \$375.00.

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CHURCH STATISTICS—EASTERN

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Members Received During the Year.	Present Membership.	Conference Home Missions.	Conference Fund.
Amelia.....	R. T. Grissom.....	Harold Liles, Clayton.....	83	83			
Antioch.....	W. A. Grissom.....	H. L. Wall, Elams.....	87	6	90	\$ 8.99	\$ 4.00
Antburn.....	R. T. Grissom.....	Earlie Jones, Raleigh, R. 2.....	99	98			
Bethel.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	E. C. Smith, New Hill, R. F. D.....	37	1	37		4.25
Bethlehem.....	W. A. Grissom.....	Mrs. R. A. Wilson, Littleton, R. 3.....	52	47	65		
Beulah.....	R. T. Grissom.....	J. B. Edwards, Wake Forest, R. 2.....	114	10	120	3.82	2.00
Caroleigh.....	W. A. Grissom.....	B. P. Hardee, Raleigh, R. 3.....	17	17			
Cary.....	W. A. Grissom.....	J. F. Hilliard, Cary.....	28	26			6.58
Catawba Springs.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	T. C. Buchanan, Apex, R. 1.....	218	8	224	21.60	6.75
Chapel Hill.....	W. J. McKee.....	T. A. Rosemond, Chapel Hill.....	63	63			
Charleston.....	Geo. N. Edwards.....			60			
Christian Light.....	R. T. Grissom.....	E. M. Blanchard, Fuquay Springs.....	124	1	125		16.00
Christian Chapel.....	Geo. M. Tally.....	Royce B. Dickens, Corinth.....	148	3	145		
Clayton.....	W. A. Grissom.....	H. E. Nichols, Clayton.....	57	3	51		
Damascus.....	W. A. Grissom.....	Louise Crabtree, Chapel Hill, R. 3.....	90	4	93		2.50
Ebenezer.....	J. A. Denton.....	C. Bruce Sanders, Morrisville, R. 1.....	204	27	221		
Fuller's Chapel.....	E. M. Carter.....	Margaret Edwards, Henderson, R. 4.....	108	2	109		8.03
Good Hope.....	E. M. Carter.....	Nolie Woodlief, Youngsville, R. F. D.....	107	3	101		2.00
Hayes' Chapel.....		A. L. Hatcher, Garner.....		64			
Henderson.....	J. E. Neese.....	C. D. Newman, Henderson.....	145	12	154		7.50
Lebanon.....	E. M. Carter.....	B. L. Mansfield, Sanford, R. 2.....	26	25			1.00
Lee's Chapel.....	R. T. Grissom.....	No report.....	69	8	56		
Liberty.....	S. E. Madren.....	C. O. Renn, Henderson, R. 1.....	366	46	400	73.80	10.00
Martha's.....		No report.....					
Mebane.....	W. A. Grissom.....	Lillie Fowler, Mebane.....	19	17			10.00
Morrisville.....	J. S. Carden.....	E. W. Clements, Morrisville.....	25	25			1.78
Moore's Union.....	E. M. Carter.....	Mrs. J. W. Lett, Jonesboro, R. 2.....	97	1	97	5.00	3.20
Mt. Auburn.....	E. M. Carter.....	A. P. Read, Norlina, R. 1.....	180	4	184		
Mt. Carmel.....	S. E. Madren.....	Eva May, Franklinton, R. 1.....	109	9	117		10.10
Mt. Gillead.....	S. E. Madren.....	Susie Hight, Louisburg, R. 2.....	152	3	154		1.00
Mt. Hermon.....	J. S. Carden.....	Mamie Munford, Garner, R. 1.....	28	28			
New Elam.....	R. T. Grissom.....	Blanche Holt, New Hill, R. 2.....	277	10	283		5.00
New Hope.....	R. T. Grissom.....	John Chamblee, Louisburg, R. F. D.....	215	8	212		1.00
Niagara.....	J. S. Johnson.....	Evelyn Snipes, Niagara.....	29	8			1.50
Oak Level.....	S. E. Madren.....	J. W. Hudson, Youngsville, R. F. D.....	129	5	128		5.00
Piney Plain.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	Mrs. C. W. Franklin, Raleigh, R. 4.....	89	9	98		5.75
Pleasant Hill.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	Jasper Surles, Benson.....	78	3	78		8.50
Pleasant Union.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	W. S. Long, Lillington.....	119	4	123		10.00
Plymouth.....		B. G. Partin, Raleigh, R. 3.....	71	13	83		2.00
Pope's Chapel.....	S. E. Madren.....	H. G. Holmes, Franklinton, R. 1.....	117	116		7.75	
Raleigh.....	Carl H. Voss.....	Robert Schmidt, College Sta., Raleigh.....	315	29	340		
Sanford.....	F. E. Hide.....	Stella A. Stout, Sanford.....	177	4	179	10.00	6.00
Shallow Well.....	F. E. Hide.....	L. J. Sloan, Jonesboro.....	192	11	197	10.00	5.00
Southern Pines.....	C. R. Raymond.....	Norris L. Hodgkins, Southern Pines.....	130	1	172	42.00	24.00
Turner's Chapel.....	J. A. Denton.....	Mrs. R. L. Ross, Sanford, R. 5.....	73	73			
Wake Chapel.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	H. W. Johnson, Fuquay Springs.....	214	12	211		12.00
Wentworth.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	Mrs. G. M. Williams, Raleigh, R. 3.....	102	13	112	2.22	2.00
Youngsville.....	E. M. Carter.....	W. G. Scarborough, Youngsville.....	41	2	43		2.75
Totals.....			5220	275	5424	\$ 535.93	\$ 187.19

*Includes amount raised by Sunday School during the year.

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Convention Fund.	Convention Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Elon College Fund.	Superannuation Fund.	Raised for Christian Education.	Raised by Missionary Society.	Raised for Orphanage.	Raised for Other Benevolences.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	All Other Expenses.	Total Amount Raised.*	Value of Church Property.
\$ 2.00	\$ 2.10 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 3.85 5.39	\$ 15.00	\$ 73.27 100.00	\$ 15.00 46.00	\$ *134.22 *194.22	\$ 2,000 2,000
5.00	5.00	14.33	4.00	4.00	2.00		15.10	6.15	124.00			2,000
4.00	4.00	50	4.00	1.18	2.00		1.05		83.53	75.00	143.36	1,600
							10.00	10.00	51.66		*154.36	1,600
									78.32		*143.32	2,000
	1.73	1.15					1.72	1.73		5.45	*48.77	1,500
	21.60	21.60	52.70				109.97	36.05	300.00	34.00	628.62	5,000
												20,000
	9.00	8.82	15.00				21.51	10.00	121.75		202.08	60,000
		3.28					3.29		67.75		*94.32	3,000
1.00	1.00	70		1.00			3.00		33.74	78.24	*172.81	2,500
4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	2.00	2.00				108.25	30.50	*197.25	2,500
									174.50		174.50	1,800
5.00	5.00	27.33	9.58	5.00	2.00		39.27	30.08	150.00	62.47	327.28	3,000
1.00	3.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	2.00		2.50		100.00	25.00	*162.50	2,000
												1,200
24.00	29.30	24.00	60.00	12.00	6.00	62.00			500.00	179.71	*337.21	12,000
	1.00	1.10		1.00			1.00		50.00		*57.30	1,500
1.25	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00					25.00		*42.25	1,250
20.00	50.00	50.00	23.83	4.45	5.00		20.00	20.00	500.00	108.90	*881.02	6,000
												2,000
1.00	2.00	7.00	4.00	1.00	1.00		22.00		93.37		137.37	5,000
1.00	1.00	5.11	2.02	1.00	1.00		10.22		51.00		*108.47	1,500
1.63	5.00	5.00	8.00	4.00	2.60				150.00		184.43	1,500
	20.78	20.78	3.00			10.00	55.55		250.00	55.00	*452.87	7,000
3.80		1.25					2.82		125.00	54.90	*217.00	1,200
	1.00	2.00	4.00	1.00	1.00		6.00		125.00	90.00	*356.00	1,500
		21.00	4.00	4.00	2.00		16.00		150.00		*203.00	1,500
8.00	10.00	22.69	15.00	4.51	6.50		14.19	100.85	150.00	107.42	*443.34	3,000
	4.00	4.00	6.00	4.00	2.00				116.50	15.50	*202.93	3,000
1.98	1.97	1.98	4.98	1.00	5.00		2.00	5.50	62.99	10.00	94.34	1,500
3.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	3.00	3.00		25.00	6.00	150.00	12.00	*286.00	4,000
		26.85		8.00		38.25	62.27		152.15	132.53	*450.80	2,000
		6.52		3.66			11.22		90.00	188.00	307.90	1,000
		31.27	27.05	10.36	5.00		41.00	94.75	185.00		*419.79	4,000
2.00	3.00	2.30	4.00	4.00	2.00		24.11		100.00	25.40	*163.81	1,000
		3.00	6.00	4.00	3.00				150.00	17.00	207.50	2,000
3.00	4.00								1,550.00	1,172.16	*3,076.45	125,000
	15.17					156.00			610.00	294.39	*1,387.11	5,000
8.50	15.00	15.50	10.00	5.00	5.00	75.00	44.64	144.00	400.00	41.00	*697.00	4,000
10.00	12.50	12.50	10.00	5.00	10.00	75.00			1,500.00	1,698.70	*6,119.00	76,500
35.63	9.00	14.00	25.00	10.00		80.00		63.00	200.00	45.50	313.50	2,500
		14.53	3.10				20.29		300.00	71.00	*1,084.63	1,500
38.00	38.00	38.00	96.00	19.20	9.60	60.00	194.83	83.00	152.00	6.00	*309.76	1,500
2.00	4.00	4.00	4.78	5.00	3.00	4.81	105.95		197.00	140.84	*518.59	4,000
8.48	8.48	8.48	21.20	4.24	2.12	43.00	18.00					
\$ 195.27	\$ 299.27	\$ 439.57	\$ 442.24	\$ 137.60	\$ 86.82	\$ 606.06	\$ 913.74	\$ 626.11	\$ 9,524.78	\$ 4,642.82	\$ 22,335.48	\$ 399,750

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SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—EASTERN N. C. CONFERENCE.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Pupils.	Number on Cradle Roll.	Total Number on Roll.	Amount Raised During Year.
Amelia.....	W. L. Johnson, Clayton, N. C., R. 2.....	6	41	47	\$	25.00
Antioch.....	S. B. Spragins, Gasburg, Va.....	7	50	57		15.84
Bethlehem.....	W. A. Moore, Littleton, N. C., R. 3.....	9	26	35		25.50
Beulah.....	A. R. Perry, Wake Forest, N. C., R. 2.....	7	63	70		20.00
Cary.....	J. F. Hilliard, Cary, N. C.....	4	20	24		30.41
Catawba Springs.....	Norwood Carroll, Apex, N. C., R. 1.....	8	90	98		40.00
Christian Light.....	I. A. Ausley, Fuquay Springs, N. C.....	9	93	102		30.00
Christian Chapel.....	J. W. Poe, New Hill, N. C., R. 1.....	6	56	62		20.00
Clayton.....	Herman Moore, Clayton, N. C.....	6	56	62		57.33
Damascus.....	Robert Daniel, Chapel Hill, N. C., R. 3.....	5	60	65		39.00
Ebenezer.....	Orville Goodwin, Cary, N. C., R. 1.....	8	75	97		20.00
Fuller's Chapel.....	W. S. Briggs, Henderson, N. C., R. 4.....	13	50	63		135.65
Good Hope.....	Z. T. May, Youngsville, N. C., R. D.....	7	58	65		20.00
Henderson.....	John A. Hall, Henderson, N. C.....	10	111	121		252.44
Lebanon.....	E. L. Pattishall, Sanford, N. C., R. 2.....	8	30	38		6.37
Lee's Chapel.....	M. B. Buchanan, Sanford, N. C., R. D.....	5	47	52		12.00
Liberty.....	R. C. Ausbon, Henderson, N. C., R. 1.....	24	210	259		331.7
Mebane.....	J. O. Fowler, Mebane, N. C.....	4	20	24		16.32
Morrisville.....	R. B. Gupton, Morrisville, N. C.....	7	20	27		34.34
Moore's Union.....	C. A. Maddox, Jonesboro, N. C., R. D.....	5	50	55		26.34
Mt. Auburn.....	J. A. Kimball, Manson, N. C.....	9	82	91		53.70
Mt. Carmel.....	R. N. Evans, Franklinton, N. C., R. 1.....	16	82	103		29.13
Mt. Gilead.....	Susie Hight, Louisburg, N. C., R. 2.....	5	35	40		20.00
Mt. Hermon.....	Guy Smith, Garner, N. C., R. 1.....	8	62	86		27.00
New Elam.....	G. F. Carr, New Hill, N. C., R. 2.....	7	80	87		36.68
Niagara.....	S. J. Johnson, Niagara, N. C.....	5	26	31		16.80
Oak Level.....	J. W. Hudson, Youngsville, N. C., R. 1.....	8	58	66		63.00
Piney Plains.....	J. B. Stephens, Raleigh, N. C., R. 4.....	5	71	76		52.56
Pleasant Hill.....	Booker Cruch, Benson, N. C., R. 1.....	4	71	75		20.00
Pleasant Union.....	M. E. Wilder, Littleton, N. C., R. 1.....	10	80	90		10.36
Plymouth.....	W. B. Rowland, Raleigh, N. C., R. 3.....	6	45	61		21.00
Pope's Chapel.....	Ethel Holmes, Youngsville, N. C., R. D.....	7	75	82		32.75
Raleigh.....	G. O. Mudge, Raleigh, N. C.....	12	122	134		183.12
Sanford.....	W. C. Farrell, Sanford, N. C.....	15	209	224		224.88
Shallow Well.....	F. F. Watson, Sanford, N. C.....	14	111	125		106.30
Southern Pines.....	Chas. L. Austin, Southern Pines, N. C.....	14	130	170		213.00
Turner's Chapel.....	E. S. Wicker, Sanford, N. C., R. 5.....	8	45	58		74.53
Wake Chapel.....	D. J. Ellis, Varina, N. C.....	11	.....	.....		125.00
Wentworth.....	B. L. Brown, Raleigh, N. C., R. 3.....	9	61	70		106.10
Youngville.....	Mrs. E. M. Carter, Youngsville, N. C.....	8	35	43		84.00
Totals.....		313	2700	753073		\$2,657.54

Proceedings of the One Hundred and Eleventh Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, GREENSBORO, N. C.

NOVEMBER 10, 11, 12, 1936.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The One Hundred and Eleventh Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches met with the First Christian Church, Greensboro, N. C., on November 10, 1936, and was called to order at 10:00 A. M., by the President, Rev. W. T. Scott.

Devotional Services were conducted by Rev. W. E. Wisseman, Pastor of the Conference Church.

The roll call of ministers and churches showed a quorum present.

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—Revs. J. F. Apple, J. O. Atkinson, D. J. Bowden, J. S. Carden, John R. Chapman, G. C. Crutchfield, H. E. Crutchfield, B. J. Earp, O. A. Elmore, Stanley C. Harrell, J. H. Lightbourne, J. Everette Neese, J. L. Neese, C. E. Newman, J. U. Newman, C. H. Rowland, W. T. Scott, H. Shelton Smith, D. M. Spence, W. M. Stevens, B. H. Watkins, W. E. Wisseman, L. L. Wyrick.
Licentiates—E. J. Sanderson, I. T. Underwood.

Churches and Delegates.

Apples Chapel—Mrs. Hepsie Brown, Miss Ethel McIntyre, Toy Apple, Miss Mary I. Thomas.

Asheville—Mrs. S. L. Jackson, Miss Lola L. Brady.

Belew Creek—Mrs. H. C. Murray, Mrs. T. J. Preston, J. G. Fulton, Mrs. J. W. Strader.

Berea—J. W. Sharpe, Mrs. Margaret H. Pritchette, Miss Lydia Ireland, Mrs. W. S. Franks.

Bethel—T. P. Miles, C. V. Hooper.

Bethlehem—C. H. Gilliam, Clyde Iseley, Mrs. C. L. Simpson, Miss Mabel Somers.

Burlington—Egbert Truitt, E. B. Rascoe, J. H. Iseley.

Carolina—By letter.

Concord—Mrs. A. Y. Allred.

Danville—P. H. Ricketts, Mrs. P. H. Ricketts, Miss Bessie Mitchell, Mrs. Fred McCormick.

Durham—W. H. Elder, Mrs. J. R. Beck, Mrs. D. M. Estes, Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell.

Elk Spur—Mrs. Laura L. Meredith, Miss Edith Strickland.

- Elon College*—C. D. Johnston, J. C. McAdams, Mrs. W. P. Lawrence, Mrs. J. P. Barrett.
- Greensboro, First*—Mrs. J. E. Murray, E. C. York, H. V. Simpson, W. B. Truitt.
- Greensboro, Palm St.*—Mrs. Pearlie Hall, Mrs. W. F. Worsham, Mrs. F. O. Wilson, Mrs. E. L. Hobbs.
- Happy Home*—J. H. Richmond, R. W. Powell, E. M. Gunn, Mrs. E. M. Gunn.
- Haw River*—Mrs. J. E. Neese, Mrs. F. M. Bain, Miss Emma Thomas.
- Hebron*—A. C. Forlines, Kent Rice.
- Hines' Chapel*—Mrs. R. W. Iseley, Andrew D. Gerringer.
- Hopedale*—C. S. Laughlin, Mrs. Nola Smith, Miss Ethel Robinette, Mrs. D. L. Horner.
- Howard's Chapel*—J. C. Madison, Miss Mary Ellen Madison, W. B. Madison.
- Ingram*—L. E. Carlton, Mrs. L. E. Carlton, J. K. Landrum, W. J. Whitlow.
- Ivy Hill*—W. R. Morris, Mrs. Elsie Morris.
- Kallam Grove*—Mrs. G. H. Sharpe, Mrs. N. G. Joyner.
- Lebanon*—Mrs. W. M. Scott, E. M. Wells.
- Liberty*—By letter.
- Long's Chapel*—Mrs. J. A. Wyatte, Mrs. J. Walter Johnston, Mrs. W. E. Barnette.
- Lynchburg*—W. T. Dunn, Mrs. Floyd H. Dunn, A. S. Dunn.
- Monticello*—Miss Lottie Morgan, J. E. Cumbie, Mrs. J. E. Cumbie, Mrs. M. C. Faucette.
- Mt. Bethel*—Miss Ethel Friddle, Miss Thelma Cummings.
- Mt. Zion*—Zeb H. Lynch, Mrs. J. G. Holt, Miss Georgia Bradley.
- New Hope*—
- New Lebanon*—Mrs. Mollie Sharpe, Miss Mildred McCollum, Miss Iva Sharpe, Mrs. J. N. McCollum.
- Pleasant Grove*—Mrs. W. J. Pierce.
- Pleasant Ridge*—O. D. Nelson, D. R. Pegram.
- Reidsville*—Mrs. Ed Chilton, Mrs. Edd Mitchell, E. L. Andrews, J. L. Wray.
- Rocky Ford*—K. M. Mark, Mrs. O. A. Elmore.
- Salem Chapel*—Mrs. C. M. Marshall, Miss Frankye Marshall, Mrs. A. F. Marshall.
- Salisbury*—By letter.
- Shallow Ford*—O. B. Pitts, Mrs. O. B. Pitts, W. E. Walker, Mrs. Jane Huffines.
- Tryon, Erskine Memorial*—
- Union (N. C.)*—Mrs. C. P. Aldridge, L. L. Hooper, Mrs. J. Mack King, J. E. Wilkins.
- Union (Va.)*—R. W. Glasscock.
- Winston-Salem*—M. R. Ivie, Mrs. M. R. Ivie, Mrs. Harry McCall, Mrs. W. M. Jay.

The Program Committee submitted the printed program as the order of business for the session. It was moved and carried that the program be adopted subject to such changes as the Conference may vote.

On motion the Report of the Executive Committee was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee appointed an Ordaining Presbytery to ordain Brother J. Everette Neese upon the completion of his academic work, as voted by the last session of Conference, and Brother Neese was ordained at Elon College, May 25, 1936.

Brother O. A. Elmore came to this Conference one year ago holding both certificates of licensure and ordination from the Baptist Church. The Conference in session at Concord Church recognized the licensure of Brother Elmore. The Committee on Education recommended that whereas Brother Elmore had accepted the pastorate of our Elk Spur and Rocky Ford Churches, and because of distances it would be difficult to secure someone to administer the ordinances of the Church that during the remainder of this Conference year that the Conference recognize the ordination of Brother Elmore. The Executive Committee approved this recommendation.

Professor D. J. Bowden appeared before the Committee on Education and requested licensure as a preacher of the gospel. The Committee on Education recommended the licensure of Brother Bowden. The Executive Committee approved this recommendation and appointed Dr. J. O. Atkinson to act for the President of the Conference in licensing Brother Bowden. Brother Bowden was duly licensed at Elon College, N. C., May 25, 1936.

W. T. SCOTT,
STANLEY C. HARRELL,
G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,

Committee.

The report of the Treasurer was submitted as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Balance on hand Nov. 1, 1935	\$	93.15	
Received from 1935 Conference		3,644.79	
Interest		5.32	
Received from Edward S. French, payment on loan from Ministerial Educational Fund		400.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 4,143.26

DISBURSEMENTS.

Draft No. 98 to W. C. Wicker, Treas.	\$	3,273.15	
Draft No. 99 to Stanley C. Harrell, Sec.		25.00	
Draft No. 100 to Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Tr. C. M. A.		150.00	
Draft No. 101 to Central Pub. Co.		101.00	
Draft No. 102 to Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Tr. C. M. A.		100.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 3,649.15

Balance on hand Nov. 10, 1936, in Morris Plan Bank,
Durham, N. C. \$ 494.11

N. B. It will be noted that amount shown in above report as received from Conference does not tally with the amount shown in 1935 ANNUAL as received from churches, due to the fact that \$50.00 from Durham Church and \$75.10 from Danville Church were shown in last year's report.

W. WALDO BOONE, *Treasurer.*

On motion the Report of the Treasurer was received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Committee on Apportionments reported as follows:

APPORTIONMENTS FOR 1937.

	Convention Missions	Foreign Missions	Convention Fund	Elon College Fund	Superannuated Fund	Christian Education	Conference Fund	Orphanage	Total
Apple's Chapel . \$	35.20	\$ 35.20	\$ 35.20	\$ 88.00	\$ 17.60	\$ 8.80	\$ 13.50	\$ 88.00	\$ 321.50
Asheville	18.00	18.00	18.00	45.00	9.00	4.50	10.00	25.00	185.00
Belews Creek	11.20	11.20	11.20	28.00	5.60	2.80	4.50	28.00	102.50
Berea	27.20	27.20	27.20	68.00	13.60	6.80	10.50	68.00	248.50
Bethel	28.80	28.80	28.80	72.00	13.60	6.80	11.00	72.00	261.80
Bethlehem	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Burlington	140.00	400.00	140.00	400.00	100.00	45.00	75.00	2400.00	3,700.00
Carolina	8.00	8.00	8.00	20.00	4.00	2.00	4.00	20.00	74.00
Concord	16.00	16.00	16.00	40.00	8.00	4.00	6.50	40.00	146.50
Danville	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	175.00	408.50
Durham	184.00	184.00	184.00	460.00	92.00	46.00	72.00	350.00	1,572.00
Elk Spur	4.80	4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	2.00	12.00	44.00
Elon College ...	128.00	128.00	128.00	320.00	64.00	32.00	50.00	200.00	1,050.00
Greensboro: First	160.00	160.00	160.00	400.00	80.00	40.00	65.00	200.00	1,265.00
Palm Street ..	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Happy Home ..	27.20	27.20	27.20	68.00	13.60	6.80	10.50	125.00	305.50
Haw River	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Hebron	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Hines Chapel ..	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Hopedale	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	24.00	88.00
Howards Chapel .	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	24.00	88.00
Ingram	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	225.00	458.50
Ivy Hill	2.40	2.40	2.40	6.00	1.20	.60	1.00	6.00	22.00
Kallams Grove .	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	24.00	88.00
Lebanon	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Liberty	16.00	16.00	16.00	40.00	8.00	4.00	6.50	40.00	146.50
Longs Chapeel ..	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Lynchburg	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	75.00	302.50
Monticello	16.00	16.00	16.00	40.00	8.00	4.00	6.50	40.00	146.50
Mt. Bethel	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	60.00	187.50
Mt. Zion	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
New Hope	4.80	4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	2.00	12.00	44.00
New Lebanon ..	22.40	22.40	22.40	56.00	11.20	5.60	9.00	125.00	274.00
Pleasant Grove .	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	60.00	293.50
Pleasant Ridge .	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Reidsville	52.80	52.80	52.80	132.00	26.40	13.20	20.00	150.00	500.00
Rocky Ford	4.80	4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	2.00	12.00	44.00
Salem Chapel ...	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Salisbury	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	24.00	88.00
Shallow Ford ...	22.40	22.40	22.40	56.00	11.20	5.60	9.00	60.00	209.00
Tryan	43.20	43.20	43.20	108.00	21.60	10.80	10.00	30.00	310.00
Union (N. C.) .	27.20	27.20	27.20	68.00	13.60	6.80	10.50	68.00	248.50
Union (Va.) ...	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Winston-Salem .	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.50	24.00	88.00
Totals	\$1483.60	\$1743.60	\$1483.60	\$3759.00	\$771.00	\$378.50	\$601.50	\$5614.00	\$15,834.80

On motion the Apportionments were adopted with the Orphanage quotas included in the totals.

Rev. Milo Henckle of the Friends Church, Dr. G. O. Lankford of the Western Conference, Revs. S. E. Madren and J. L. Foster of the Eastern North Carolina Conference, Rev. M. A. Pollard of the Western Conference and Dr. W. M. Jay of the Eastern Virginia Conference were presented to Conference and on motion seated as deliberative members.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL ETHICS.

Your Committee believes that the highest calling among men is that of the ministry. Although great numbers of people are still without Christ, the ministry of the Church is the God-given means of extending the Gospel to men. The ministers proclaim the Gospel that men may be drawn to Christ. We therefore recommend:

1. That this Conference carefully consider the qualifications of all candidates for the ministry, that only the worthy be admitted.
2. That our ministers be in constant communion with the Father, that they may be able effectively to proclaim the Gospel. So by word and example lead men to Him, whom to know aright is life eternal.
3. That ministers, in their contacts one with another, and in respect to their pastorates, remember to observe the ethics of the high calling that they represent.
4. That our ministers endeavor, in thought, in speech, and in all social and business contacts, to conduct themselves as Christian gentlemen, loving and helping one another.

D. M. SPENCE,
J. S. CARDEN,
W. B. TRUITT,
H. E. CRUTCHFIELD,
Committee.

After discussion the Report on Ministerial Ethics was adopted by motion.

The Report of the Committee on Superannuation was submitted as follows:

REPORT ON SUPERANNUATION.

We, your Committee on Superannuation, recommend as follows:

1. That the following be continued as superannuates of this Conference: Mrs. P. T. Klapp, Mrs. L. I. Cox, Mrs. J. P. Barrett, Mrs. C. C. Peel, Mrs. J. W. Wright, Mrs. H. T. Moffitt, and Rev. J. S. Carden.
2. That the name of Dr. P. H. Fleming be added to the above list.
3. That the Board of Superannuation of the Southern Convention be asked that these share with the applicants from other Conferences to their Board, as funds in hand permit.
4. That each pastor of this Conference use his best influence to have the churches of his charge to raise the amount apportioned for Superannuation in full.
5. That each church, in keeping with the plan of the United Church, take a special offering for this fund and forward the same to Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Chairman of the Board of the Southern Convention.

6. That the ministers of this Conference, especially those who are still young, avail themselves of the privilege in becoming members of the Annuity Fund of the Congregational Christian Churches.

C. E. NEWMAN,
ZEB H. LYNCH,
J. L. NEESE,

Committee.

On motion the Report on Superannuation was adopted.

The Annual Conference Address was delivered by Rev. W. T. Scott, who used as his subject: "The Sufficient Christ."

Conference adjourned for lunch.

Benediction, Dr. W. M. Jay.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order.

Prayer led by Rev. J. F. Apple.

The Secretary presented a Resolution of the Burlington Christian Church requesting the transfer of membership from the Western North Carolina Conference to the North Carolina and Virginia Conference. The action of the Western North Carolina Conference referring the request to the Southern Convention was also presented.

It was moved and carried that pending the action of the Southern Convention the Burlington Church be enrolled as a member of this Conference, and that the delegate be seated, said action subject to ratification by the Southern Convention.

(Secretary's Note: The request for transfer of the Burlington Church Membership, as stated above, was subsequently approved by the Executive Committee of the Southern Convention.)

Rev. C. A. Elmore presented the petition for membership of the newly organized Ivy Hill Church as follows:

PETITION FOR MEMBERSHIP.

We, the charter members of the Ivy Hill Congregational Christian Church of Carroll County, Virginia, members, as we trust of the body of Christ, have associated ourselves together as a church for the glory of God and for the service of our fellowmen, and have organized according to the Principles and Government of the Christian Church and the recognized Congregational Christian Churches.

Desiring to associate ourselves with sister churches of like mind and purpose, we, on this 1st day of November, 1936, in session assembled, request this admittance of our church to membership in the North Carolina and Virginia Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches, promising to comply, to the best of our ability, with all requests and rulings of said Conference.

Signed for the church:

REV. ORVILLE A. ELMORE,
Chairman,

MRS. ELSIE MORRIS,
Secretary,

KYLE SUMNER,
R. W. MORRIS,

Deacons.

The Charter of the Church was presented duly signed by the charter members.

On motion the petition was granted and the Church enrolled as a member of Conference and the delegates seated.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

1. That Teacher Training classes or community training schools be organized wherever possible. Better trained teachers mean better schools, and better schools mean better churches.

2. That every Church School and Christian Endeavor Society enroll as many young people as possible in the Elon Summer School.

3. That every school be represented at the Church School and Christian Endeavor Convention. Especially would we urge that the officers, teachers and superintendents attend.

4. That a Vacation Church School be conducted wherever practicable.

5. That the Church Schools be enrolled as World Service Schools.

6. That the Church Schools and Endeavor Societies take great care in selecting those for places of leadership. Adequate methods and materials are important, but above all, those who teach much prepare their own hearts, dedicating their personalities to their task.

7. That we set definite aims for our various young people's groups. The training of children should lead to voluntary participation in the work of the church.

8. That a closer connection be established between the various youth organizations and the church. That all youth organizations be represented on the Official Board.

9. That the various young people's organizations cooperate in the plans and programs of the Youth Fellowship.

Rev. W. E. Wisseman led a discussion on the Church School and Christian Endeavor. He then presented the following recommendations:

On motion the Report on Christian Education was adopted.

Rev. E. A. Shenk of the Lutheran Church and Revs. F. C. Lester and C. E. Gerringer of the Eastern Virginia Conference were invited to seats as deliberative members.

The Committee on Evangelism reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

Preaching the Gospel with power and faith should bring about the conversion of the sinner, if you can only reach him in person. This is the preacher's job, and very often here is where he fails. But when it comes to getting the converted one to unite with the Church, he generally looks at more than the preacher. No doubt, he often says to himself, "Is this the spirit and passion of the Church also? Is this the Gospel the members live by?" and hereby hangs the tale often as to what he will take.

With this spirit and faith on the part of the preacher and the Church in preaching and living the Gospel, almost any method, sanely used, should meet with growing success.

1. Mass Evangelism, as such, has not failed as it is often charged. Only the technique and perverted methods used, have placed a stigma upon mass evangelism. People cannot any longer be deceived with trickery, over-persuasion,

emotionalism and a commercial motive. The challenge is still to preach the Gospel, in the power of the spirit, to the masses, and with the faith that His word shall not return unto you void. The chief weakness in mass evangelism lies in depending only on such periodic efforts once a year for the ingathering of souls.

2. Personal evangelism, from the time of Jesus to the present, has been a choice and effective plan of winning souls to Christ and the Church. It calls for personal workers, those who can bear witness to the power of the Gospel in their own lives. The chief weakness of this plan lies in not being able to get any considerable number from the membership who can and will personally witness for Christ in the interest of the unsaved.

3. Training for Christian life and service is a highly endorsed plan of adding unto the Church such as should be saved. It is the record that training through the Sunday School is now responsible for 85 per cent of the additions to the Church. Surely this merits the very best training possible in the Sunday School, and the utmost effort to get the children in the Sunday School.

4. The Pastor's Class is a plan utilized to good effect by some pastors by way of special training as to the meaning of becoming a Christian. The difficulty here, as voiced by some pastors is in getting a group to attend such a class. The junior and intermediate classes of the Sunday School might offer a good opportunity for pastors to present this training for five or more Sundays during some quarter of the year.

5. Another very wise plan that has been suggested to us by one pastor, is to get decisions through organized personal workers groups and then for the pastor to give one or more personal interviews with the converts on the meaning of becoming a Christian and the obligations to be taken in the Church.

The matter of numbers is important and should be given proper consideration if an increase in the church membership is desired; but what is still more important is that those who come into the Church, should be characterized by a true and earnest confession or acceptance of faith in Jesus Christ, so as to make for a more permanent and active Christian service in the Church.

And finally, we would urge that pastors and church officials use a close follow-up system with regard to the whole membership and especially with the new members, so as to keep the membership roll up-to-date. When members once come to understand that they cannot trifle with their church membership, except at their own peril, when they move out of the community, or cease to attend and support the Church, they will be more careful and attentive to their church obligations. When a member moves to another community where we have a church, they should promptly notify the pastor of that church, who should manifest an interest in the spiritual welfare of such a member.

W. M. JAY,
G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,
J. L. NEESE,

Committee.

Discussion: "A Comprehensive Program of Evangelism," led by Rev. Stanley C. Harrell.

On motion the Report on Evangelism was adopted.

The Committee on Entertainment made report.

On motion Conference adjourned.

Prayer and Benediction led by Rev. F. C. Lester.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Program in charge of Youth Fellowship.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:30.

Prayer led by Rev. C. E. Gerringer.

Minutes of previous day's session were read and approved.

Moved and carried that Brothers Egbert Truitt, E. B. Rascoe and J. H. Isely be seated as delegates from the First Christian Church of Burlington.

The Nominating Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

President, Rev. G. C. Crutchfield,

Vice President, Rev. W. E. Wisseman,

Secretary, Rev. Stanley C. Harrell,

Assistant Secretary, Rev. John R. Chapman,

Treasurer, Dr. W. Waldo Boone,

Song leader, Rev. J. L. Neese,

Home Mission Board: G. C. Crutchfield, W. B. Truitt, Stanley C. Harrell, J. O. Atkinson, H. V. Simpson.

On motion the Report of the Nominating Committee was adopted and the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of Conference for the nominees. The Secretary cast the ballot as directed.

The Committee on Religious Literature reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

To adopt resolutions on religious literature and forget all about them gets us nowhere. To pass fewer resolutions and lead our members to obey them will be getting somewhere. It is not in the power of your committee to force the reading of religious literature on a single church or individual. All we can do is to try to persuade you that it should be done. Our problem is one most difficult. And as such, it will continue, until we are able to persuade our parents in the home, to read before their children something besides such literature as is purchased at the average news stand.

Of course, the Bible is in the home, we would be ashamed were it not there. But do our members read the Bible? If it were read in our homes, our children would know more about it when they grow up.

The radio, pictures, cartoon funnies, financial news, politics, sports, social columns, continued stories, and criminal cases, are absorbing so much time that religious literature is neglected.

We feel very keenly the need of a revival in Bible reading and in the reading of religious literature. It might well start with our ministers. A sermon on "A Christian's Responsibility to Religious Literature" might put them to thinking and acting as well as their members. The full cooperation of deacons, Sunday School superintendent, teachers, Christian Endeavor president, and the Woman's Missionary society, would help mightily in such a revival.

Of course, every Sunday School knows, it is imperative as a Christian duty to use our own literature. Most of our members are conscious that they should subscribe for and read the *Missionary Herald*, *The Christian Sun*, and *Advance*. "If ye know these things happy are ye if ye do them." We recommend: An active Literature Committee in every church.

B. J. EARP,

E. J. SANDERSON,

MRS. C. H. ROWLAND,

W. MILLARD STEVENS,

Committee.

On motion the Report on Religious Literature was adopted.

Promotional plans of the Christian Orphanage were presented by Supt. Chas. D. Johnston.

The Report of Home Missions Board was presented as follows:

REPORT OF HOME MISSIONS BOARD.

The Home Mission work, as sponsored by this Conference, has been carried on this year through the Christian Missionary Association, which has aided in the work at Winston-Salem and Reidsville. The funds coming to the Association have been very limited and we have not been able to achieve that which we had hoped. The membership in the Association is only \$5.00 this year, having been reduced from \$10.00. It would seem that several hundred members could be secured on this basis. We are satisfied that if members of the Conference realized what the Association is doing and your Board is trying to achieve, the response would be far more liberal.

A Conference with the numbers and membership of ours, should add one, or more, churches to its roll every year. A Conference only grows by adding churches, just as the local church grows by adding members, since the established churches of a Conference about hold their own from year to year. We are delighted that this year application is made from a church from Carroll County, Virginia, sponsored and sustained thus far through the apportionments and the direction of our Southern Convention Board.

We cannot too strongly urge upon the churches the absolute necessity of forming themselves into convenient groups and pastorates. This is no longer a matter of choice; it is essential if many of our weaker Churches, especially in rural districts, are to survive. The time when a pastor could keep a church alive and progressive by visiting it and preaching to the congregation once, or twice, per month, has passed. The times in which we live demand a different program. Take the record of the churches with absentee pastors, with once a month visitation and preaching, and you will find, almost without exception, a church that is gradually going backward and losing out in numbers and in usefulness.

Our Conference should have a fund from the regular apportionment with which to assist in supporting the pastorates which cannot support themselves.

G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,
STANLEY C. HARRELL,
J. O. ATKINSON,
W. B. TRUITT,

Committee.

The Report on Home Missions was discussed at length, and on motion the report was amended to request the Board to formulate a proposed grouping of the churches of this Conference.

On motion the Report on Home Missions was adopted.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was presented as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We would suggest and recommend:

1. That we should seek to know, to appreciate and to experience in our lives the Spirit of Jesus Christ, Who is the origin, guidance and power of the missionary enterprise, and that we pursue a diligent and prayerful study of the Scriptures, which reveal the Spirit of Christ, and how His Spirit guided and strengthened the first missionaries as they gave themselves to their task.

2. That we exercise personal faith in Christ in order to keep alive and carry on the vital cause of Missions.

3. That we study the wealth of mission literature, which reveals the accomplishments that have already been attained, and which sets forth the possibilities of the future.

4. That we support the mission cause with our prayers, our enlightened interest, and our regular and systematic gifts.

5. That we seek to definitely relate the missionary message to the teachings of the Church through Sunday School and pulpit, and that we set definite financial goals for Missions as a part of the regular budget of the Church.

MRS. STANLEY C. HARRELL,
MRS. M. J. SWEET,
MRS. W. P. LAWRENCE,
L. L. WYRICK,
J. O. ATKINSON,

Committee.

Mrs. O. H. Paris made report of the Woman's Missionary work as follows:

REPORT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF 1936.

The twenty-fourth Annual Session of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Conference was held at the Durham Congregational Christian Church, Tuesday, October 6, 1936. The theme for the day being "The Spirit of God in Human Experience." The day was perfect, the fellowship fine, and the program as a whole most uplifting and informative. I would like especially to mention the addresses of Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mrs. John G. Truitt, and Dr. H. Shelton Smith; also the worshipful devotion led by Mrs. Robert S. Smith.

On our Conference roll, we have sixty-eight Woman's Societies, fourteen Young People's Societies, seven Willing Workers, and thirteen Cradle Roll Societies. But out of that number, we have reporting to our state treasurer, only fifty-three Woman's Societies, ten Young People's Societies, five Willing Workers, and eight Cradle Roll Societies.

Our financial goal for the year was \$4,000.00. We paid into our state treasury \$4,021.78. Of that amount \$1,635.02 was raised by the societies from this Conference.

I would not close this report without giving due recognition and appreciation to our retiring officers, Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, Miss Alice May Holmes, Mrs. W. P. Lawrence, Mrs. B. M. Newman, Miss Mary Fix, and Mrs. W. T. Scott. Most especially are we indebted to Mrs. Harrell, our retiring president, who has given untiringly of her time, means, and talents. Her work and deep interest throughout the Conference is greater than we can estimate.

MRS. O. H. PARIS,

President.

Dr. J. H. Lightbourne led a discussion on the theme: "How to Formulate and Promote a Mission Program for the Local Church."

On motion the Reports on Foreign Missions and the Woman's Conference were adopted.

Miss Ruth Seabury, Secretary of the American Board addressed the Conference on Missions.

Conference adjourned for lunch.

Benediction by Dr. J. H. Lightbourne.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 2:00 P. M.

Prayer led by Rev. D. M. Spence.

Rev. W. A. Way of Greensboro, Dr. W. C. Wicker, President of the Eastern North Carolina Conference, and Rev. M. T. Sorrell of the Eastern North Carolina Conference were presented to Conference and seated as deliberative members.

The Committee on Stewardship reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP.

We, your Committee on Stewardship, would submit the following report:

The end of Christian Stewardship is human character. It is not primarily that the Church may have a system of finance, but that the moral and spiritual forces of the Church may be developed.

Stewardship is a matter of the heart. It rests upon an exalted conception of man's relationship with God, and acknowledges His creative power and sovereign ownership.

It is the Stewardship of all life, including our time, talents, spiritual resources and our material possessions that becomes the reliable and standard test of the Christian's character and the genuineness of the steward.

It is required in stewards that a man be found faithful, says Paul. A steward should be faithful in the moral and spiritual resources, time, talents, influence, opportunity and personality.

Be it resolved:

1. Since the Scriptures declare the relationship of man to God to be that of a Steward, we urge all Christians to be faithful in this Stewardship with respect to all of life.

2. The Scriptures declare that the wisdom of man is foolishness as compared with the wisdom of God, yet God has entrusted to us great intellectual power and certainly God expects a return in the way of service, a portion of this given power. We should not only share this intellectual power but consecrate the same wholly to God's service.

3. The brief span which is allotted to man on this earth, is of great value to the eternal existence of the soul, we therefore should consecrate and devote our time so far as possible in the different walks of life to the work of the Kingdom.

4. We are scripturally taught that God is the supreme owner of all things in that He is creator. God not only created man, but all things and entrusted all things into the hands of man and requires him to be faithful. As to material substance, Christians should recognize God's ownership, not only of its substance but the sovereign owner of man, and as Christians, we should render to God the things that are God's.

B. H. WATKINS,
J. F. APPLE,
J. E. NEESE,
O. A. ELMORE,

Committee.

After a general discussion of Stewardship the Report was adopted by motion.

Dr. H. Shelton Smith led a discussion on the theme: "Enlisting the Interest and Cooperation of the Local Church in the Total Enterprises of the Convention."

The Committee on Education reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

One of the most notable contributions made by Protestant denominations in the United States has been the contribution in the field of academic education. This phase of the work of the Church was perhaps never more important than at the present time. This is true because we have come to the point in educational experience where character development is recognized as the supreme objective of education. It is also recognized that intellectual training alone does not guarantee the development of the right sort of character. It is just here that educational institutions under religious auspices and with religious emphases, are making their most notable contribution. Denominational colleges never faced a greater opportunity than they do today.

Our own Elon College has rendered most notable service to our denomination, and to the world, in this capacity. It is the conviction of your Committee that Elon College has come to the day of its opportunity. Elon College has the strongest faculty it has ever had; a faculty that will compare most favorably with the faculty of any small college. It has a student body enough to tax its physical equipment. The student body manifests high ideals of character, ambition and scholarship. Settlements have been effected in the debts of Elon College which make it entirely possible for the Elon constituency to pay the debts and provide an adequate operating budget. We, who are members of the Southern Convention, might as well face the fact now that if Elon College is to continue its most notable work that we must bend every effort to accomplish that end. We have stated that we believe this to be possible; but it will be possible only if and when every church in the Southern Convention gives its very best to this task. We, therefore, call upon the churches of this Conference to make every effort to raise the apportionments for Elon College, and to give to the Administration of the College every possible cooperation in such plans as may be devised for advancing the interests of Elon College.

Professor D. J. Bowden, who was licensed last May by authority of the Executive Committee of Conference, appeared before this Committee and requested ordination. Professor Bowden occupies the Chair of Religious Education in Elon College. He is rendering a notable service in this capacity. It is a ministry to which he feels definitely called. He is of the opinion that he will be able to render a larger service as an ordained minister of the Church. In this opinion your Committee concurs. We call attention to the fact that the rules of our Church provide for ordination of a licentiate upon recommendation of a church or churches which the licentiate has served as pastor. When the rule was made the situation of Professor Bowden was not foreseen; and while the proposed action does not comply with the letter of the rule, it seems entirely in harmony with the spirit of it. We, therefore, recommend the ordination of Brother Bowden be approved, and that the President of Conference be authorized to appoint an Ordaining Presbytery to conduct the ordination at this sitting of Conference.

Rev. O. A. Elmore, whose ordination at the hands of the Baptist Church, was recognized by the Executive Committee for the duration of this Conference year, is pursuing his studies at Elon College, and plans to continue his work as pastor of our Carroll County pastorate. We recommend that Conference continue the recognition of his ordination for another Conference year, should he remain in his present pastorate.

Licentiates R. H. Coble and I. T. Underwood have held license in this Conference for a number of years. They do not have regular pastoral work, but request continuance of their license. We recommend that their request be granted and the license continued for another year.

Licentiate Emerson J. Sanderson is making satisfactory progress in his col-

lege work, and we understand will continue his pastorate in the Monticello Church. We recommend that his license be continued.

Dr. James H. Lightbourne presented a letter of transfer from the Western North Carolina Conference to this Conference. We recommend that the transfer be approved and that Dr. Lightbourne be duly enrolled as an Elder of this Conference.

We are informed that the Eastern Virginia Conference has granted letters of transfer to this Conference to Dr. W. M. Jay and Rev. C. E. Gerringier. Pending the receipt of these letters, we recommend that they be duly enrolled as Elders of Conference.

Rev. J. Everette Neese has accepted the pastorate of the Henderson Church and requests a letter of transfer to the Eastern North Carolina Conference. We recommend that the request be granted and the letter of transfer be issued.

Rev. H. E. Crutchfield has accepted a pastorate in the Eastern Virginia Conference and requests a letter of transfer to that Conference. We recommend that the request be granted and that the letter of transfer be issued.

STANLEY C. HARRELL,
J. O. ATKINSON,
J. U. NEWMAN,
C. H. ROWLAND,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that the part of the report dealing with the personnel of the ministry be adopted.

In the absence of President Smith, who was prevented by illness, Dean John D. Messick led a discussion on the theme: "The Task of the Church in the Field of Education."

On motion the Report as a whole was adopted.

On motion the supplemental report of the Nominating Committee which nominated Rev. Stanley C. Harrell as a member of the North Carolina Council of Churches, representing this Conference, was adopted.

It was moved and carried that Thursday, noon, be fixed as the hour for the Ordination of Professor D. J. Bowden.

The President appointed Drs. C. H. Rowland, J. O. Atkinson, and Stanley C. Harrell to serve with the President as an Ordaining Presbytery.

On motion Conference adjourned.

Closing prayer led by Dr. W. C. Wicker.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Rev. John R. Chapman assisted by the Choir of the Greensboro Christian Church conducted the evening worship.

Miss Ruth Isabelle Seabury delivered the evening address, to the inspiration and edification of the congregation.

Prayer and benediction led by Dr. J. U. Newman.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:30.

Prayer led by Rev. Millard Stevens.

Minutes of previous day's sessions were read and approved.

The reports from churches and ministers of the Conference were read.

Moved and carried that, in keeping with the action of the Southern Convention, a Conference Historian be appointed.

Moved and carried that a grievance from a member of the Concord Church relative to an action of the Church, be referred to the Executive Committee for action.

The Committee on Moral Reform reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

Your Committee on Moral Reform presents the following report:

1. The first need in moral reform is the Gospel of Christ. This alone can turn the world upside down until it is love side up.

2. That we do more than pass resolutions. Our Christ is the power of spiritual revolution. We crucify Him afresh when we substitute a pious resolution for a spiritual revolution.

3. That we cease being concerned with labels and deal with life.

4. That our Christian consistency be shown in praise for the good as well as condemnation of the bad.

5. That we go as far as possible with our brothers, building ties of agreement wherever possible, in the spirit of Christ. This is better than raising differences which separate before we begin.

6. That we stop blaming other men and make straight the way of the Lord within ourselves.

7. That God can give the Christians of the world power to "make wars cease," only when Christ is brought to the causes of war. Peace talk without this is powerless.

8. That our preaching, teaching, conversation, and church library become systematic channels for presenting the Christ way in business, the use of money, politics and in all life, not some compartment of it.

9. That Christians and church members stop being anxious about their own life and go out in the highways and by-ways, caring for the sick, lonely, hungry, and needy souls.

10. That the way of the Cross is the way of life. Let us follow our Lord in this and not resort to short cuts or panaceas.

JOHN REA CHAPMAN,
MRS. W. E. WISSEMAN,
H. SHELTON SMITH,

Committee.

On motion the Report on Moral Reform was adopted.

Rev. W. T. Scott led a discussion on "Ways of Strengthening the Local Church."

Moved and carried that the Home Mission Board be charged with the responsibility of contacting churches without pastors and ministers without churches, with a view to securing a pastor for every church.

The Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.

Realizing that this One Hundred Eleventh Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Congregational Christian Conference has been inspiring and remarkably successful and that it has been enjoyed to the fullest extent by those in attendance, be it resolved:

1. That we express, by a rising vote, our sincere appreciation to the Pastor and congregation of the Conference Church for the splendid hospitality extended to delegates and visitors during this session of Conference.

2. That we thank Miss Ruth Isabelle Seabury for the two splendid messages she has given us during this session.

3. That we express our appreciation to the officers of this Conference for their faithful service during the past year and the splendid way in which they have conducted deliberations of this session of Conference.

4. That we express our appreciation to all who have appeared on the program for the inspiration and information they have given us.

5. That there be extended a vote of thanks to our retiring President, Rev. W. T. Scott, for the services rendered during his stay in office.

6. That we further express our appreciation to the Youth Fellowship for the splendid program presented in the first evening of Conference.

7. That as ministers and laymen, we go back to our local church determined to make this the greatest year in the history of our church.

MRS. W. M. JAY,
MISS MABEL SOMERS,
J. E. NEESE,
B. H. WATKINS,

Committee.

On motion the Resolutions were adopted by a rising vote.

On motion the Secretary was requested to express to Dr. P. H. Fleming the regrets of the Conference that he was unable to attend and our sympathy and prayers in his illness.

Moved and carried that the Executive Committee cooperate with Brother L. M. Clymer, in placing at the grave of Dr. J. W. Wellons, a marker that will set forth the salient facts of his life.

The Collectors reported as follows:

REPORT OF COLLECTORS.

The churches have sent up to this session of Conference a total of \$4,120.87. This amount was allocated by the churches as follows: Convention Missions, \$420.02; Foreign Missions, \$327.22; Convention Fund, \$1,080.62; Elon College, \$1,106.23; Superannuation, \$443.43; Christian Education, \$276.05; Conference Fund, \$467.30.

The following churches raised their apportionments in full, and are therefore rated banner churches: Asheville, Bethlehem, Danville, Elon College, Greensboro, First, Happy Home, Hines Chapel, Ingram, Lynchburg, Mt. Bethel, Mt. Zion, New Lebanon, Rocky Ford, Shallow Ford, Union, (N. C.).

The Report of Collectors was adopted by motion.

The Committee on Finance reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the Report of Dr. W. Waldo Boone, Treasurer, and find same to be correct.

We recommend the payment of the following bills: Stanley C. Harrell, \$25.00 for secretarial work and the bill for stationery supplies, programs, annuals, postage, etc.

We further recommend that \$25.00 be given the Youth Fellowship movement if possible.

After the above obligations are paid, we recommend that the balance of the Conference Fund be turned over to the Christian Missionary Association, and that all other designated moneys paid to Conference be forwarded to Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treasurer of the Southern Convention of Congregational Christian Churches, for the purposes as indicated by the churches.

J. C. McADAMS,
D. M. SPENCE,
ZEB H. LYNCH,

Committee.

On motion the Report of Committee on Finance was adopted.

The Committee on Place reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE.

Your Committee has received invitations from Bethlehem and Reidsville Churches. We recommend that the Conference accept the invitation of the Reidsville Church, and hold the next session there.

W. T. DUNN,
C. H. GILLIAM,
MARY I. THOMAS,

Committee.

Moved and carried that the recommendation of the Committee on Place be adopted.

Standing Committees were appointed and announced as follows:

Executive—G. C. Crutchfield, W. E. Wisseman, Stanley C. Harrell.

Education—Stanley C. Harrell, H. Shelton Smith, J. U. Newman, W. M. Jay, J. O. Atkinson, C. H. Rowland.

Christian Education—W. E. Wisseman, W. T. Dunn, Miss Dorothy Truitt, C. E. Gerringer.

Moral Reform—John R. Chapman, H. Shelton Smith, L. L. Myrick.

Superannuation—C. E. Newman, Dr. W. H. Boone, Zeb H. Lynch, J. L. Neese.

Ministerial Ethics—D. M. Spence, W. B. Truitt, J. H. Lightbourne, J. S. Carden.

Religious Literature—W. M. Stevens, B. J. Earp, Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Jim Wilkins.

Foreign Missions—J. H. Lightbourne, Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, Mrs. W. P. Lawrence, E. J. Sanderson.

Budget and Apportionment—C. D. Johnston, S. D. Scott, J. F. Apple, Clyde Iseley.

Stewardship—W. M. Jay, B. H. Watkins, O. A. Elmore.

Home Mission Board (Elected)—G. C. Crutchfield, W. B. Truitt, Stanley C. Harrell, J. O. Atkinson, H. V. Simpson.

Historian—J. O. Atkinson.

Moved and carried that the reading of the minutes of today's session be referred to the President and Secretary, that the minutes of this sitting of Conference be printed in the CHRISTIAN ANNUAL, the Conference to purchase 200 copies of the ANNUAL for pro-rata distribution to the churches.

Moved and carried that after the Ordination of Professor D. J. Bowden, Conference adjourn to meet Tuesday after the second Sunday in November, 1937, with the Reidsville Christian Church.

Dr. C. H. Rowland administered the Rite of Ordination to Brother D. J. Bowden. Rev. Stanley C. Harrell led the prayer and delivered the Charge to the Candidate. The Bible was presented by Rev. W. T. Scott. The right hand of fellowship was extended to the Candidate by all ministers present.

Closing Prayer and Benediction led by Rev. D. J. Bowden.

Conference then adjourned.

G. C. CRUTCHFIELD, *President*,
Burlington, N. C., R. F. D. 2,
STANLEY C. HARRELL, *Secretary*,
Durham, N. C.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

J. F. Apple—Churches: Bethel, Mt. Zion, Pleasant Ridge (Wes. Con.). Sermons, 73; conversions, 30; members received, 18; marriages, 7; addresses, 2; baptisms, 17; visits, 250; funerals, 6; salary, \$741.30.

J. O. Atkinson—Mission Secretary of Southern Convention, Editor of *Christian Sun* to July 1, 1936. Marriages, 2; addresses, 25; funerals, 2.

D. J. Bowden—Professor of Religion, Elon College. Sermons, 1; marriages, 1; addresses, 12.

J. S. Carden—Churches: Mt. Hermon, Morrisville (Eas. Conf.). Sermons, 40; conversions, 5; marriages, 2; funerals, 4; salary, \$153.43.

John Rea Chapman—Church Asheville. Sermons, 49, conversions, 3; members received, 9; marriages, 2; addresses, 27; baptisms, 1; visits, 796; funerals, 4; salary, \$1,320.00.

H. E. Crutchfield—Churches: Apples Chapel, Ingram. Sermons, 131; conversions, 5; members received, 8; marriages, 1; addresses, 3; baptisms, 7; visits, 600; funerals, 9; salary, \$850.00.

G. C. Crutchfield—Churches: Berea, Bethlehem. Sermons, 80; conversions, 15; members received, 14; marriages, 8; addresses, 20, baptisms, 12; visits, 1,200; funerals, 40; salary, \$632.00.

B. J. Earp—Churches: Greensboro Palm St., Hines' Chapel. Sermons, 134; conversions, 11; members received, 9; marriages, 2; baptisms, 10; visits, 703; funerals, 13; salary, \$1,440.00.

O. A. Elmore—Churches: Elk Spur, Rocky Ford, Ivy Hill. Sermons, 154; conversions, 55; members received, 43; addresses, 11; baptisms, 29; visits, 679; funerals, 11; salary, \$722.69.

P. H. Fleming—Churches: Union (N. C.), Long's Chapel. Sermons, 14; members received, 28; marriages, 2; baptisms, 27; funerals, 4; salary, \$67.00.

Stanley C. Harrell—Churches: Durham, O'Kelly's Chapel. Sermons, 110; conversions, 5; members received, 10; marriages, 5; addresses, 14; baptisms, 5; visits, 300, funerals, 12; salary, \$1,975.00.

W. M. Jay—Church: Winston-Salem. Sermons, 57; conversions, 2; members received, 10; marriages, 1; addresses, 3; baptisms, 1; visits, 240; salary (6 months) \$1,165.00.

J. E. Neese—Churches: Carolina, Haw River, Martha's Chapel, Shallow Ford. Sermons, 83; conversions, 26; members received, 22; marriages, 2; addresses, 6; baptisms, 17; visits, 285; funerals, 5; salary, \$886.29.

J. L. Neese—Churches: Reidsville, New Lebanon. Sermons, 155; conversions, 115; members received, 54; marriages, 6; addresses, 5; baptisms, 40; visits, 863; funerals, 27; salary, \$1,600.00.

C. E. Newman—Churches: Union (Va.), Lebanon, Liberty, Hebron. Sermons, 72; conversions, 25; members received, 20; marriages, 5; addresses, 25; baptisms, 14; visits, 400; funerals, 15; salary, \$995.00.

J. U. Newman—Professor, Elon College.

J. W. Patton—Masonic Lecturer.

C. H. Rowland—Pastor Emeritus, First Church, Greensboro. Sermons, 15; marriages, 5; addresses, 3; funerals, 2; salary, \$600.00.

W. T. Scott—Church: Winston-Salem to April 1st, Pastor-at-large of Southeast. Sermons, 50; marriages, 2; addresses, 25; baptisms, 4; visits, 250; funerals, 2.

H. Shelton Smith—Professor of Religious Education, Duke University.

D. M. Spence—Churches: Pleasant Ridge, Salem Chapel, Belew Creek. Sermons, 93; conversions, 5; members received, 5; marriages, 6; baptisms, 5; visits, 677; funerals, 6; salary, \$700.00.

Milo J. Sweet—Church: Union, Chattanooga, Tenn. Sermons, 51; members received, 10; addresses, 5; baptisms, 4; visits, 571; funerals, 2.

W. M. Stevens—Church: Happy Home. Sermons, 116; members received, 8; marriages, 2; addresses, 4; baptisms, 7; visits, 198; funerals, 2; salary, \$520.00.

B. H. Watkins—Church: Lynchburg. Sermons, 86; conversions, 2; members received, 3; marriages, 3; addresses, 10; baptisms, 2; visits, 186; funerals, 5; salary, \$600.00.

W. E. Wisseman—Church: Greensboro, First. Sermons, 136; conversions, 16; members received, 26; marriages, 3; addresses, 17; baptisms, 16; visits, 925; funerals, 8; salary, \$1,600.00.

L. L. Wyrick—Churches: Concord, Mt. Pleasant (West. Conf.). Sermons, 30; conversions, 9; members received, 11; baptisms, 8; visits, 220; funerals, 7; salary, \$270.00.

Licentiates.

R. B. Coble—No charge. Sermons, 3.

E. J. Sanderson—Church: Monticello. Sermons, 53; addresses, 1; funerals, 1.

I. T. Underwood—No charge. Sermons, 20.

CHURCH STATISTICS—NORTH

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Received on Confession.	Received by Letter.	Present Membership.	Paid on Conference Fund.	Paid on Convention Fund.
Apple's Chapel.....	B. J. Earp.....	Mrs. R. E. Apple, Brown Summit, N. C.	369	3	...	365	\$ 13.50	\$ 35.20
Asheville.....	J. R. Chapman.....	R. W. Hawkins, 407 Charlotte St.	84	4	5	93	4.00	15.00
Belew Creek.....	G. C. Crutchfield.....	J. G. Fulton, Belew Creek, N. C.	97	1	1	94	4.50	6.06
Berea.....	G. C. Crutchfield.....	Miss Frona Taylor, Altamahaw, N. C.	126	1	...	125	10.50	...
Bethel.....	J. F. Apple.....	Mrs. Ida P. Murray, Mebane, N. C., R. 3	153	12	...	154	11.00	16.66
Bethlehem.....	G. C. Crutchfield.....	Clyde Iseley, Burlington, N. C., R. 4	310	10	2	318	13.50	35.20
Carolina.....	O. A. Elmore.....	J. W. Trollinger, Burlington, N. C., R. 3	65	3	...	68	4.00	4.00
Concord.....	J. U. Fogleman.....	J. T. Allred, Burlington, N. C., R. 2	97	8	...	104	6.50	16.00
Danville.....	M. T. Sorrell.....	Mrs. W. V. Crawford, 136 Rocklawn Ave.	602	42	31	621	13.50	35.20
Durham.....	S. C. Harrell.....	A. V. Kennedy, 334½ W. Main St.	458	5	5	464	72.00	184.00
Elk Spur.....	O. A. Elmore.....	Victoria Edwards, Fancy Gap, Va.	66	6	5	77	1.50	...
Elon College.....	L. E. Smith.....	Miss Nannie D. Reitzel, Elon College.	488	3	1	441	50.00	128.00
Greensboro, First.....	W. E. Wiseman.....	R. G. Moffitt, 813 Vance St. Greensboro.	507	...	...	503	65.00	160.00
G'sboro, Palm St.	C. E. Geringer.....	A. H. Hinshaw, 17 Poplar St. Greensboro	322	6	...	311	7.50	20.00
Happy Home.....	M. T. Sorrell.....	Mrs. G. W. Hill, Ruffin, N. C., R. 2	221	7	1	228	10.50	27.30
Haw River.....	E. J. Sanderson.....	Mrs. Rosa B. Thomas, Haw River, N. C.	151	5	...	151	13.50	35.20
Hebron.....	C. E. Newman.....	Kent Rice, Nelson, Va.	131	...	...	130	5.00	10.00
Hines' Chapel.....	B. J. Earp.....	L. V. Smith, McLeansville, N. C.	260	2	...	225	13.50	35.20
Hopedale.....	O. A. Elmore.....	Clarence Dickey, Burlington, RFD.	73	6	6	82	...	...
Howard's Chapel.....	J. L. Foster.....	W. B. Madison, Reidsville, N. C., R. 4	29	4	3	35	2.50	2.50
Ingram.....	B. J. Earp.....	Mrs. Charlie Ferrell, Paces, Va.	181	1	4	183	13.50	35.20
Ivy Hill.....	O. A. Elmore.....	Mrs. Elsie Morris, Fancy Gap, Va.	...	...	...	12	3.00	...
Kallam Grove.....	T. J. Green.....	Franklin B. Foulks, Madison, N. C.	76	6	...	63	3.00	9.00
Lebanon.....	C. E. Newman.....	T. J. Earp, Milton, N. C.	126	1	...	126	6.50	16.00
Liberty.....	C. E. Newman.....	Jas. T. Whitt, Nathalie, Va.	173	...	...	...	5.00	10.00
Long's Chapel.....	G. C. Crutchfield.....	J. W. Johnston, Burlington, N. C., R. 5	174	...	...	161	3.80	9.60
Lynchburg.....	Howard Smith.....	Evelyn Tolley, 1606 McKinney Ave.	111	2	1	112	7.50	19.20
Monticello.....	E. J. Sanderson.....	Miss Tora Rudd, Brown Summit, N. C.	85	...	2	60	2.50	1.00
Mt. Bethel.....	T. J. Green.....	Miss Ethel Friddle, Stokesdale, N. C.	125	12	...	135	7.50	19.20
Mt. Zion.....	J. F. Apple.....	Geo. Strayhorn, Efland, N. C.	153	5	...	155	7.50	19.20
New Hope.....	No report.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
New Lebanon.....	J. L. Neese.....	Miss Carrie Sharpe, Wentworth, N. C.	188	6	3	196	9.00	22.40
Pleasant Grove.....	W. C. Wicker.....	Mrs. Elizabeth Sipe, News Ferry, Va.	286	11	1	286	13.50	25.10
Pleasant Ridge.....	D. M. Spence.....	O. D. Nelson, B. 1072, Greensboro, N. C.	83	...	...	81	7.50	19.20
Reidsville.....	J. L. Neese.....	Mrs. C. W. Geringer, 36 Montgomery St.	420	36	8	456	20.00	28.20
Rocky Ford.....	O. A. Elmore.....	Clarence Edwards, Cana, Va.	129	6	1	71	2.00	...
Salem Chapel.....	D. M. Spence.....	Selma Marshall, Walnut Cove, N. C., R. 2	129	4	...	129	7.50	7.00
Salisbury.....	W. B. Dutters.....	Mrs. Effie F. Emerson, N. Main St.	22	...	...	18	...	...
Shallow Ford.....	L. L. Wyrick.....	Samuel Barber, Elon College, R. 1	124	11	2	131	9.00	22.40
Tryon.....	C. Arthur Lincoln.....	Mrs. Helen B. Brundage, Tryon, N. C.	137	12	14	156	...	...
Union (N. C.).....	W. M. Stevens.....	W. H. Garrison, Burlington, N. C., R. 2	293	27	1	334	10.50	27.20
Union (Va.).....	C. E. Newman.....	J. R. Murray, Virginia, Va.	408	10	5	419	5.00	25.20
Winston-Salem.....	W. M. Jay.....	J. A. Wester, 429 Brent St.	64	2	8	72	...	...
Totals.....	.....	.....	7991	280	112	8873	\$ 465.80	\$1080.62

CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

Paid on Convention Home Missions.	Paid on Convention Foreign Missions.	Paid on Elon College Fund.	Paid on Superannuated Fund.	Raised for Christian Education.	Raised for Orphanage.	Raised by Missionary Association.	Raised by Woman's Missionary Society.	Raised for Other Benevolences.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Paid on Other Expenses, Including Sunday School.	Total Raised, Including Sunday School.	Value of Church Property.
\$ 15.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 17.60	\$ 6.05	\$ 26.75			\$ 235.05	\$ 450.00	\$ 337.04	\$ 1121.19	\$ 12,500
2.25	2.25	142.00	7.00	4.00					1,020.00	1,698.70	2,818.70	12,000
9.00	24.00	55.50	5.60		4.00				206.40	48.12	280.60	250
16.68	16.66	18.60	3.40		33.20				250.00	210.43	596.03	2,500
35.20	35.20	88.00	13.60	6.80	8.00				200.00	85.00	393.00	1,700
5.07	3.50	10.00	17.60	8.80	56.06				367.50	495.86	1,152.92	5,000
	3.00		2.00	1.00	26.26		\$ 12.00	25.40	130.00	271.16	494.39	750
35.20	35.20	88.00	8.50	4.00	10.00			33.00	150.00	20.00	256.00	1,000
140.00	141.31	231.27	17.60	8.80	230.16		155.00	805.58	1,620.00	7,803.11	10,847.35	23,000
4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	346.33	\$ 27.50	382.05	95.89	1,975.00	2,203.29	5,936.64	50,000
128.00	128.00	320.00	64.00	32.00	118.03					14.61	41.31	4,000
160.00	160.00	400.00	80.00	40.00	257.12	40.00	319.09		900.00	222.08	2,409.20	7,000
20.00	20.00	50.00	10.00	6.00	30.94	10.00	450.00	200.00	2,200.04	1,972.77	6,214.93	51,000
32.00	32.00	68.00	13.60	6.80	78.00		25.40	25.00	1,040.00	1,032.87	2,297.71	12,000
35.20	35.20	88.00	3.15	8.80	102.10	5.00	93.79	15.00	380.00	2,130.68	2,793.88	5,000
5.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	4.52			217.17	252.00	515.36	1,404.47	5,000
35.20	42.00	88.00	17.60	8.80	66.55	25.00	24.20	40.00	175.00	52.08	281.60	1,500
10.81	9.60	24.00		1.50	19.05				400.00	396.14	1,192.19	3,500
2.00	4.00	2.00	2.00	2.50	8.00			13.50	175.00	274.57	514.33	1,500
35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	84.00		30.05		60.80	96.00	195.80	1,500
									400.00	672.20	1,419.75	10,000
4.00	6.00	5.96	3.00	2.40	11.35				75.00	48.97	163.68	500
5.83	5.84	21.10	2.50	4.00	13.05				200.00	93.66	368.48	1,500
5.00	5.00	10.00	5.00	5.00							45.00	1,500
11.93	11.92	18.57	1.33	.60	27.43			32.05	184.00	138.89	440.12	4,000
21.98	21.97	58.00	11.60	4.80	75.79		31.55	28.45	594.06	1,291.75	2,166.65	7,000
1.00	14.25	8.62	2.00	1.00	18.71		25.00	5.00	396.78	135.00	610.86	2,500
19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	25.00			38.00	200.00	643.34	1,033.84	4,000
19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	27.93	10.00	15.00		200.00	106.19	486.62	2,000
22.40	22.40	56.00	11.20	5.60	60.00	10.00	21.00	110.00	300.00	388.28	1,038.28	2,000
35.20	35.20	43.18	12.60	8.80					300.00	520.00	993.58	4,000
	9.29	8.90	9.60	4.80	14.70				250.00	63.19	392.18	1,000
47.31	47.31	75.00	15.34	13.20	163.85	10.00	130.00	173.40	1,300.00	4,259.19	6,282.80	35,000
4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20						24.87	52.07	2,500
13.87	13.87	12.00	2.62	3.50	19.20				250.00	80.39	409.95	2,000
								15.00		328.00	343.00	20,000
24.17	22.40	56.00	11.20	5.60	27.36	5.00		42.00	278.12	179.86	683.11	2,500
										3,865.00	3,865.00	24,000
27.20	27.20	68.00	13.60	6.80	75.55				500.00	534.12	1,290.17	5,000
25.20	15.00	88.00	17.60	5.00	31.00				420.00	482.36	1,114.36	15,000
19.50	19.50						10.00	56.00	374.51	735.21	1,214.72	12,000
\$1034.40	\$1072.27	\$2320.12	\$ 546.04	\$ 288.75	\$2099.99	\$ 142.50	\$1754.13	\$2210.49	\$18,174.21	\$34,475.34	\$65,664.46	\$358,700

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—N. C. & VA. CONFERENCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Number on Cradle Roll.	Number in Home Department.	Total Enrollment.	Amount Raised During Year.
Apple's Chapel.....	E. P. Murrell, Brown Summit, N. C.....	15	7		242	\$ 150.54
Asheville.....	R. W. Farr, 78 Avondale Ave., Asheville, N. C.	7			70	193.69
Belew Creek.....	W. C. Stout, Belew Creek, N. C.	8			88	48.12
Berea.....	W. S. Simpson, Altamahaw, N. C.	10			143	133.43
Bethel.....	Earlie Vinson, Burlington, N. C., R. 2.....	6			60	25.00
Bethlehem.....	J. E. Wilkins, Elon College, N. C.....	19			189	153.86
Carolina.....	John W. Trollinger, Burlington, N. C., R. 3.....	9	13		113	135.45
Concord.....	Mrs. W. R. Simons, Yanceyville, N. C.	4			39	10.00
Danville.....	P. H. Ricketts, 2075 Rocklawn Ave., Danville	28	18	10	650	813.00
Durham.....	W. H. Elder, 2413 Club Bvd., Durham, N. C.	42	12	20	323	690.43
Elk Spur.....	Miss Gladys Strickland, Fancy Gap, Va.	5	10		100	
Elon College.....	W. B. Terrell, Elon College, N. C.	18	7		185	32.85
Greensboro First.....	S. D. Scott, Scott Ave, Greensboro, N. C.	20	25		300	634.23
Greensboro, Palm St.....	W. E. Hinshaw, Textile Dr., Greensboro.....	14	26		275	395.69
Happy Home.....	R. J. Hudson, Reidsville, N. C.	8			164	194.30
Haw River.....	Herma Neese, Haw River, N. C.	14			142	240.85
Hebron.....	Kent Rice, Nelson, Va.	8			54	22.08
Hines' Chapel.....	J. W. Barker, Greensboro, N. C., R. 5.....	10	19		173	177.57
Hopedale.....	C. B. Sumner, Burlington, N. C.	9			160	87.38
Howard's Chapel.....	W. B. Madison, Reidsville, N. C., R. 4.....	5			45	21.00
Ingram.....	J. K. Landrum, Vernon Hill, Va.	13	5		127	185.00
Ivy Hill.....						
Kallam Grove.....	Allen T. Joyner, Madison, N. C., R. 2.....	6			51	13.97
Lebanon.....	H. G. Earp, Milton, N. C.	5			35	51.44
Liberty.....	Jas. T. Whitt, Nathalie, Va.					
Long's Chapel.....	R. W. Barnette, Mebane, N. C., R. 1.....	6	1		91	86.04
Lynchburg.....	J. W. Tolley, Lynchb'g, Va., R. 1.....	17			166	
Monticello.....	J. E. Cumby, Brown Summit, N. C.	9			70	88.00
Mt. Bethel.....	Herbert Gourley, Stokesdale, N. C.	9			120	123.34
Mt. Zion.....	Jule Pace, Mebane, N. C., R. 3.....	6			50	33.07
New Hope.....						
New Lebanon.....	W. T. Moore, Reidsville, N. C., R. 4.....	10			145	158.28
Pleasant Grove.....	G. C. Talbert, News Ferry, Va.					
Pleasant Ridge.....	Jerry Crutchfield, Kernersville, N. C., R. 2.....	6			76	65.48
Reidsville.....	Clyde Fields, Barnes St., Reidsville, N. C.	22			418	250.00
Rocky Ford.....	W. J. Edwards, Cana, Va.	5	5		120	
Salem Chapel.....	C. M. Marshall, Walnut Cove, N. C., R. 2.....	8			98	48.37
Salisbury.....	Buren Aldredge, Johnson St., Salisbury.....	5			14	
Shallow Ford.....	L. D. Geringer, Burlington, N. C., R. 4.....	15			169	126.36
Tryon.....	Nelson Jackson, Jr., Tryon, N. C.	13			96	170.00
Union (N. C.).....	Claude Walker, Burlington, N. C., R. 3.....	11			125	152.83
Union (Va.).....	A. R. Seat, Virgilina, Va.	6			78	94.88
Winston-Salem.....	M. R. Ivie, 930 N. Hawthorne Rd.....	12	8		105	129.11
Totals.....		443	156	30	5,674	\$5,935.64

Minutes of the Forty-Fifth Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Missionary Association.

LIBERTY SPRING CHRISTIAN CHURCH, TUESDAY,
DECEMBER, 8, 1936.

MORNING SESSION.

The forty-fifth annual session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Missionary Association was called to order by Rev. J. F. Morgan, President, at 10:30 o'clock. Song service conducted by Rev. Joe A. French.

Devotional service conducted by Rev. Carl R. Key, using for his theme, the hymn, "Stand Up For Jesus."

The following members responded to the roll call:

REPORT OF FINANCIAL SECRETARY.

Berea (Norfolk)—Sunday School, \$10; Men's Bible Class, \$10; M. W. Hollowell, \$10. Total \$30.

Bethlehem—Ladies Aid, \$10.

Christian Temple—Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, \$10; Church, \$10; Church Mission Treasurer, \$10; Sunday School, \$10; Sunday School Mission Treasurer, \$10; Woman's Council, \$20; Twiddy Bible Class, \$10; Friendship Bible Class, \$10; Dorcas Class, \$10; F. M. Brewer, \$10; T. E. Brickhouse, \$10; Mrs. T. E. Brickhouse, \$5; Mrs. L. W. Stagg, \$5; Mrs. A. B. Jarvis (Memorial to Mrs. J. A. Eley), \$5; Mrs. R. B. Wood (Memorial to Mrs. Hattie Savage), \$5. Total, \$140.

Elm Avenue—Young People's Class, \$5; Mrs. S. G. Knick, \$5. Total, \$10.

First, Norfolk—Rev. F. C. Lester, \$10; Ladies' Bible Class, \$5. Total, \$15.

First, Portsmouth—Rev. R. L. House, \$10; Church, \$10; Woman's Missionary Society, \$10; Sunday School, \$10; Rev. H. E. Rountree, \$10; Mrs. R. L. House, \$5. Total, \$55.

Holland—Rev. Carl R. Key, \$5; Church, \$10; Sunday School, \$10; Men's Bible Class, \$10; Mrs. R. H. Reidel, \$5. Total, \$40.

Holy Neck—Rev. N. G. Newman, \$10; Church, \$10; Sunday School, \$10; Baraca Class, \$10. Total, \$40.

Liberty Spring—Rev. I. W. Johnson, \$10; Church, \$10; Sunday School, \$10; A. H. Savage Class, \$10; Bertie Johnson Class, \$10; R. E. Rogers Class, \$10; I. T. Byrd, \$10; Joel E. Harrell, \$10; Mrs. I. W. Johnson, \$5; Mrs. F. F. Brinkley, \$5; Mrs. Joel E. Harrell, \$5. Total, \$95.

Newport News—Rev. Jesse H. Dollar, \$10; Church, \$10; Choir, \$10; Sunday School, \$10; Ladies' Aid, \$10; Missionary Society, \$10; Men's Bible Class, \$10; Ladies' Bible Class, \$10; R. L. Baker, \$10; Mrs. W. B. Baker, \$5; Mrs. R. L. Baker, \$5; Mrs. W. H. Baker, \$5; Mrs. J. T. Irby, \$5; Mrs. R. E. Pulley, \$5; Mrs. F. W. Vaughn, \$5; C. D. West, \$10. Total, \$130.

Oakland—Sunday School, \$10.

Ocean View—Rev. Joe A. French, \$10; Adult Bible Class, \$10. Total, \$20.

Rosemont—Rev. J. F. Morgan, \$10; Men's Bible Class, \$10; Church, \$10; Mrs. B. F. Gibson, \$5; Mrs. Ruth M. Smith, \$5. Total, \$40.

South Norfolk—Sunday School, \$10; Ladies' Aid, \$10; Ladies' Bible Class, \$10. Total, \$30.

Suffolk—Rev. John G. Truitt, \$10; Church, \$10; Sunday School, \$20; Ladies' Benevolent and Social Union, \$20; Philathea Class, \$20; Junior Philathea Class, \$10; Baraca Class, \$10; Woman's Missionary Society, \$10; W. W. Staley Missionary Society, \$10; W. S. Beamon, \$10; William Staley Cheatham, \$10; D. L. Harrell, \$10; E. E. Holland, \$10; H. H. Holland, \$10; J. E. Rawles, \$10; O. S. Smith, Sr., \$10; J. E. Vincent, \$10; J. E. West, \$10; Mrs. C. A. Shoop, \$10; Mrs. J. D. McClenny, \$5; Mrs. Bessie Creekmore, \$5; Mrs. C. B. Duke, \$5; Mrs. John King, \$5; Mrs. G. W. Nurney, \$5; Mrs. Annie Staley Calhoun, \$5; Miss Jamie Felton, \$5; Mrs. J. D. Luke, \$5; Mrs. W. B. Leathers, \$5; Mrs. A. T. Holland, \$5; Ella Beal Class, \$5. Total, \$275.

Grand Total, \$940.

JOE A. FRENCH,
Financial Secretary.

The President appointed the following committees:

Press—Dr. N. G. Newman.

Place of Next Session—Dr. J. G. Truitt.

Nominating—Rev. R. L. House, Mrs. I. W. Johnson, Dr. N. G. Newman.

Finance—Rev. Joe A. French, Rev. F. C. Lester, Rev. Carl R. Key.

Special music was rendered by Mrs. W. F. Monell, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. I. W. Johnson.

Address by Dr. N. G. Newman, "The Historic Value and Future Hope of the Christian Missionary Association." Dr. Newman, in his usual scholarly and humorous manner, gave a very fine address which was enjoyed by all. A motion was made and carried that this address be incorporated in the minutes of the C. M. A.

Informal discussion by Col. J. E. West and Dr. N. G. Newman.

The Association adjourned for lunch.

Benediction by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association called to order at 1:30 P. M. by the President, Rev. J. F. Morgan. Song service conducted by Rev. O. D. Poythress.

Prayer by Dr. J. G. Truitt.

Special music by Rev. O. D. Poythress, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. I. W. Johnson.

Four minute reports from Home Mission pastors.

Elm Avenue—Rev. S. W. Phillips reported that this church was moving forward. He stated that they had paid a substantial amount on the church debt during the last twelve months.

Newport News—Rev. J. H. Dollar, the new pastor, stated that he had been at Newport News for only a few weeks, but during that short space of time, he had learned that the people over there were very missionary. They had ex-

changed two houses (Rev. and Mrs. R. L. House) for two dollars, (Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Dollar). He further stated that he was very optimistic over the future of the Newport News work. The indebtedness was substantially curtailed during the past year.

South Norfolk—Rev. O. D. Poythress reported that the work at South Norfolk moves forward with encouragement. The church indebtedness was curtailed last year to the amount of \$1,300.00. The Sunday School enrollment has passed the five hundred mark for the first time since 1929.

Ocean View—Rev. Joe A. French told the Association that the outlook at Ocean View was very hopeful. Sunday School rooms have been remodeled, also, part of the church. The church has purchased new pews, which are to be installed at an early date.

Hopewell—No report. Rev. T. N. Lowe sent word to the Association that on account of illness of Mrs. Lowe, he would be unable to attend.

Next on the program was a "Talk-a-Round," "Helping the C. M. A. Go," led by Rev. F. C. Lester. Interesting and helpful talks were made by Rev. J. H. Dollar, Col. J. E. West, Rev. Robert Lee House, and Rev. O. D. Poythress. All agreed that the C. M. A. was doing a fine piece of work, even though it parallels the work of other Mission Boards of our Church. The C. M. A. is needed to stimulate individual giving and more especially to assist Churches within the bounds of this Conference which are carrying heavy and burdensome debts and to assist weak churches whenever possible.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

1935.

Dec. 3. Balance in Bank	\$ 28.19
5. Deposited	900.00

1936.

Apr. 28. Ladies' Bible Class of First Christian Church, Norfolk, Va.	5.00	
		\$ 933.19

DISBURSEMENTS.

1935-1936.

Dec. 23. Paid Rev. T. N. Lowe for Hopewell on Pastor's salary	\$ 100.00	
Paid S. W. Phillips for interest on parsonage debt	100.00	
Paid C. D. West, Newport News on mortgage debt	300.00	
Paid Rev. Joe A. French, Ocean View, \$100.00 on mortgage debt, \$25.00, repairs on church.	125.00	
Prudential Insurance Co. for S. Norfolk Church	283.00	
		908.00
Dec. 1. Balance in Bank	\$ 25.19	

B. D. JONES,
Treasurer, C. M. A.

The Nominating Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

President—Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Vice-President—Rev. J. H. Dollar.

Recording Secretary—Rev. Carl R. Key.

Financial Secretary—Rev. Joe A. French.

Treasurer—Mr. B. D. Jones.

On motion report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee submit the following:

15 churches reporting gave	\$ 930.00
One individual gift	10.00

Total Receipts	\$ 940.00
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We recommend the payment of bills as follows:

To Joe A. French, Financial Secretary. Expense	
(This includes last year and this.)	5.00
To J. F. Morgan for programs	1.00

Total	\$ 6.00
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We recommend that \$15.00 be appropriated for the printing of our minutes in
THE CHRISTIAN ANNUAL.

JOE A. FRENCH,

F. C. LESTER,

CARL R. KEY,

Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLANS.

We recommend appropriations as follows:

1. One hundred dollars to Hopewell on pastor's salary.
2. One hundred dollars to Elm Avenue for interest on parsonage debt.
3. Three hundred dollars to Newport News on mortgage debt.
4. One hundred and twenty-five dollars to Ocean View on mortgage debt.
5. Three hundred and fifteen dollars to South Norfolk Church on mortgage debt or interest on same.

COL. J. E. WEST,

MRS. JOEL E. HARRELL,

MRS. J. W. VAUGHAN,

H. S. HARDCASTLE,

Committee.

On motion the pastor and members of the Liberty Springs Church were given a rising vote of thanks for their generous hospitality and excellent entertainment during the day.

The Association also extended thanks to the President, and others who had a part in the fine program of information, inspiration and fellowship of the day's session.

Mr. C. D. West presented the following Resolution which was adopted:

Resolved:

That the President of this Association be directed to bring to the attention of the 1937 Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention, and Eastern

Virginia Christian Conference, the work, as well as needs, of this Association, soliciting new membership payable at the 1937 meeting of this Association.

Further that the President arrange for groups to visit such churches as he may designate prior to our 1937 Convention, and there present the work and needs of this Association and soliciting new memberships and renewals of old.

C. D. WEST.

Rev. Robert Lee House presented the following Resolution which was adopted:

As we meet in this annual Association and consider the Missionary activities of our church, we are reminded that *The Christian Sun* is an indispensable organ in cultivating and keeping alive the missionary spirit. It therefore behooves us here to emphasize the necessity of securing new subscriptions and the reading of the same. It also behooves us to take every precaution to guarantee the future of this paper and maintain its present high record of service.

We are mindful, however, that the present status of the paper may not continue indefinitely. Before another official meeting of this Conference convenes provision must be made for a permanent editor. Our present editor, Rev. F. C. Lester, is rendering a conspicuous service to our church. Now we understand that his term of service expires March 1, 1937. We may well be anxious concerning the future policy of our Church paper.

Therefore we, the members of the Christian Missionary Association, wish to record our appreciation for the splendid editorship of *The Christian Sun*, to commend the First Church, Berkley, on having a minister of such calibre and willingness as to be able to render this invaluable service. We further record our sincere hope that this happy solution may be renewed and continued.

On adoption of this motion the secretary should be instructed to forward copies to *The Christian Sun* and to the First Church, Berkley.

ROBERT LEE HOUSE,
President, Eastern Virginia Conference.

This resolution was unanimously accepted by the Association.

The President appointed the following standing committees:

Executive—Rev. J. F. Morgan, Carl R. Key, J. H. Dollar, Joe A. French.

Plans—Col. J. E. West, Mrs. J. E. Harrell, Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Mrs. I. W. Johnson.

Finance—Rev. Joe A. French, Rev. O. D. Poythress, Rev. F. C. Lester.

Rev. Carl R. Key extended an invitation to the C. M. A. to meet with the Holland Christian Church next year, provided no other invitation was received. On motion the Association adjourned with benediction by Rev. F. C. Lester.

REV. J. F. MORGAN, *President*,
REV. O. D. POYTHRESS, *Secretary*.

Minutes of the Christian Missionary Association of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

BETHLEHEM CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
ALAMANCE COUNTY, DECEMBER 8, 1936.

MORNING SESSION.

The Fourth Annual Session of the Christian Missionary Association of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference met with the Bethlehem Church, Tuesday, December 8, 1936. The meeting was called to order, at 10:00, by the president, Rev. G. C. Crutchfield.

Worship Service, Rev. Millard Stevens.

Twenty members answered to the roll call, these representing ten churches.

Following the roll call eight new members were enrolled.

Program committee presented the printed programs as the program for the session. This adopted with provision that such changes as necessary be made during the session.

Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Treasurer, reported as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 8, 1936.

1935. RECEIPTS.

Dec. 3.	Amount brought forward	\$	9.61
Dec. 3.	Received from B. J. Earp		82.50
Dec. 23.	Received from B. J. Earp		25.00
1936.			
Jan. 21.	Received from N. C. & Va. Conf.		150.00
Mar. 31.	Received from B. J. Earp		25.00
Apr. 22.	Received from B. J. Earp		5.00
Apr. 25.	Received from N. C. & Va. Conf.		100.00
June 25.	Received from B. J. Earp		27.50
Sept. 1.	Received from N. C. & Va. Conf.		11.45
Nov. 9.	Received from B. J. Earp		40.00
Nov. 12.	Received from B. J. Earp		40.00
Dec. 5.	Received from B. J. Earp		20.00
	Interest at bank .....		.50

\$ 506.56

1935. DISBURSEMENTS.

Dec. 3.	To Mrs. C. H. Rowland, note and interest	\$	50.75
Dec. 26.	To W. T. Scott, salary		40.00
1936.			
Jan. 22.	W. T. Scott, salary		25.00
	To B. J. Earp, Palm St. Parsonage		100.00
Mar. 3.	To W. T. Scott, salary		25.00
Apr. 27.	To M. R. Ivie, Tr. (W. M. Jay's salary)		25.00

May	5.	To M. R. Ivie, Treasurer	50.00	
		To Rev. J. L. Neese (Reidsville Bldg. Fund)	23.00	
July	7.	To M. R. Ivie, Treasurer	50.00	
Aug.	8.	M. R. Ivie, Treasurer	25.00	
Sept.	1.	To Rev. J. L. Neese	15.00	
Nov.	11.	To Rev. J. L. Neese	10.00	
Nov.	12.	To Rev. W. T. Scott, salary	10.00	
		To Rev. W. M. Jay, salary	25.00	
Nov.	18.	To Rev. J. L. Neese	7.00	
Dec.	6.	To Rev. J. L. Neese	25.00	
		Bank charge .....	.15	
		Balance in bank .....	.66	
				\$ 506.56
MRS. C. H. ROWLAND,				<i>Treasurer.</i>

Mrs. Rowland read the report of the Financial Secretary, in the absense of Rev. B. J. Earp, as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCIAL SECRETARY.

I have received money for the year 1935-36 as follows:

Board of Deacons, Durham, \$5.00; Mrs. Mollie Sharpe, \$5.00; Rev. M. J. Sweet, \$5.00; Truitt Philathea Class, Greensboro (Miss Effie Lowe), \$5.00; Mrs. J. O. Atkinson, \$5.00; Mrs. G. C. Moore, \$5.00; Miss Florence Smith, \$5.00; Reidsville Woman's Auxiliary, \$5.00; Woman's Missionary Society, 1st Greensboro, \$5.00; Mrs. Cora Anthony, \$5.00; Miss Carrie Sharpe, Jr. Baracas, \$5.00; Mrs. J. H. Massey, \$5.00; Zeb H. Lynch, \$5.00; Mrs. Zeb H. Lynch, \$5.00; Zeb H. Lynch, Jr., \$2.50; Betty Lynch, \$2.50; Estelle Lynch, \$2.50; Palm St. Sr. C. E. Society, \$5.00; Mt. Zion Church, \$5.00; Dr. J. O. Atkinson, bank payment, \$1.45; W. M. Missionary Society, 1st, Greensboro, \$5.00; Mrs. J. H. Massey, \$5.00; Rev. J. O. Atkinson, \$5.00; Rev. B. J. Earp, \$5.00; Dr. C. H. Rowland, \$5.00; Mrs. C. H. Rowland, \$5.00; Rev. W. E. Wisseman, \$5.00; Rev. and Mrs. W. T. Scott, \$10.00; A. D. Gerringer, \$5.00; Mrs. A. D. Gerringer, \$5.00; Holt Gerringer, \$5.00; Vera Gerringer, \$5.00; S. S. 1st Church, Greensboro, \$5.00. Total amount collected since last meeting \$163.95.

B. J. EARP,
Financial Secretary,
per MRS. C. H. ROWLAND.

On motion both reports were received and referred to the Finance Committee.

Appointment of Special Committees:

Nominations—J. O. Atkinson, H. V. Simpson, Miss Ida Simpson, Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne.

Place of Meeting—J. L. Neese, Mrs. Climar, H. V. Simpson.

Press—J. O. Atkinson, W. E. Wisseman, J. H. Lightbourne.

Resolutions—Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, C. E. Gerringer, Millard Stevens.

REPORTS FROM CHURCHES ASSISTED BY C. M. A.

Winston-Salem—Dr. W. M. Jay.

Reidsville—Rev. J. L. Neese.

Palm Street—Rev. C. E. Gerringer.

Dr. J. H. Lightbourne addressed the Association on the subject, "Purposeful Planning."

Association voted unanimously to wire Rev. J. S. Carden a message of condolence, because of the death of his daughter; Dr. J. O. Atkinson was asked to send the message for the Association.

Adjournment for lunch. Benediction by Rev. W. E. Wisseman.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The session was called to order at 2:00 P. M.

Devotionals conducted by Dr. W. M. Jay.

REPORT OF NOMINATION COMMITTEE.

We nominate the following for officers for the coming year.

President—Rev. G. C. Crutchfield.

Vice-President—Rev. B. J. Earp.

Recording Secretary—Millard Stevens.

Financial Secretary—Dr. J. H. Lightbourne.

Treasurer—Mrs. C. H. Rowland.

We recommend that the expense incurred by the Financial Secretary in the discharge of the duties of his office; in securing new members, getting renewals or promoting the work of the Association; be paid by the Association.

J. O. ATKINSON,
H. V. SIMPSON,
IDA SIMPSON,
MRS. J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
Committee.

Report adopted and Nominees duly elected.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE OF MEETING.

We have received invitation from Palm Street Church for 1937 meeting.

J. L. NEESE,
MRS. CLIMAR,
H. V. SIMPSON,
Committee.

By vote, the Association will meet with the Palm Street Church, Tuesday after the first Sunday in December.

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.

Resolved: That we thank Rev. Millard Stevens for presenting to us, through his devotionals, the challenging ideal toward which to direct our thinking: "What is mine is yours and you may have it."

That we thank Dr. J. H. Lightbourne for his splendid presentation of the work and policies of the C. M. A., in his address "Purposeful Planning."

That we thank our officers for their important and faithful service in the business of the Association.

That we thank our host church for a warm and comfortable place in which to meet, for a cordial welcome, and for an abundant dinner.

That we express our regrets for the absence of Dr. S. C. Harrell and Mrs. W. M. Jay, and our appreciation to Rev. W. E. Wisseman and Dr. W. M. Jay who so splendidly supplied their places on the program.

We recommend that: We personally resolve that we will assume the responsibility and solemn obligation to increase the interest in C. M. A. work.

MRS. J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
C. E. GERRINGER,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We have examined the books and accounts of Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Treasurer, and Rev. B. J. Earp, Financial Secretary, and have found them to be correct as entered.

J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
MRS. D. E. MITCHELL,
W. E. WISSEMAN,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

We recommend that \$25.00 of the money collected today be paid to the Winston-Salem work to complete the payment for the year 1936.

It seems now that there will be \$350.00 from the North Carolina and Virginia Congregational Conference and this Association sets as its goal for the raising of an equal amount. Totaling, \$700.00.

Of the \$350.00, received from the Conference, we recommend that this be equally divided between Winston-Salem and Belew's Creek, and that the money collected from C. M. A. Memberships be used to bring Winston-Salem's total to \$300.00 (payable in 12 equal monthly payments) and Belew's Creek to \$250.00. This is to be used toward the erection of a new Church building. 100.00 to be paid now and the remaining \$150.00 to be paid after the church has raised \$1,000.00 in cash or dependable pledges.

If collections warrant, \$100.00 shall be paid the Reidsville Church.

G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,
IDA SIMPSON,
W. E. WISSEMAN,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Rev. W. E. Wisseman led a discussion on "Some Present Problems."

Moved and voted that we set our Goal at one hundred paid members for next year, and that the pastors of the local church be apportioned this number to be raised in his field, as the Executive Committee feels that each pastor will be able to raise.

Standing Committees appointed as follows:

Appropriations—S. C. Harrell, W. E. Wisseman, Miss Ida Simpson, G. C. Crutchfield.

Finance—W. E. Wisseman, J. H. Lightbourne, Mrs. D. E. Mitchell.

Voted that correction be left with Executive Committee.

Treasurer reported that she had collected \$45.00 during the day.

Adjournment with Benediction by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

G. C. CRUTCHFIELD, *President*,
W. MILLARD STEVENS, *Secretary*.

Twelfth Biennial Session of the Woman's Missionary Convention.

SOUTHERN CONVENTION OF CONGREGATIONAL AND CHRISTIAN
CHURCHES.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, BURLINGTON, N. C., APRIL 28, 1936.

MORNING SESSION.

The Women's Missionary Convention met in its Twelfth Regular Session and was called to order at 10 o'clock by the President, Mrs. W. R. Sellars.

Greetings were extended and devotional service conducted by Mrs. J. H. McEwen.

Officers of the Societies and Conventions were presented.

Delegates were enrolled as follows:

Eastern Virginia Conference—Mesdames W. H. Andrews, W. T. Brinkley, Annie S. Calhoun, J. C. Ellis, I. W. Johnson, W. C. Joyner, John King, C. W. King, J. D. Luke, N. G. Newman, E. F. O'Berry, R. E. Pulley, J. M. Rabey, L. E. Rawls, J. S. Rollings, A. G. Simmons, J. C. Taylor, J. G. Truitt, Misses Edna Fulcher, Virginia Luke, Ruby Piland.

North Carolina Conference—Mesdames R. E. Caviness, Roy Caviness, E. M. Carter, B. J. Earp, W. H. Elder, C. C. Fonville, J. R. Foster, H. D. Lambeth, L. Harward, Lacy Hooper, J. H. Lightbourne, Roy Malone, H. J. Massey, J. H. McEwen, D. R. Mitchell, O. H. Paris, H. C. Pollard, C. H. Rowland, L. E. Smith, C. H. Stevenson, W. B. Truitt, Seth M. Vining, W. E. Wisseman, Dr. Isabel Graves, Misses Margaret Alston, Vera Gerringier, Harriet Lee.

Virginia Valley Conference—Miss Minnie Dofflemyer, Mrs. Lena Rothgeb.

Twenty-eight pastors were welcomed and introduced by Dr. S. C. Harrell and Dr. J. O. Atkinson, and Miss Olive Green, of Smyrna, Turkey; Mrs. D. E. Brown, of New York City, and Miss Pattie Lee Coghill, of Jacksonville, Fla., were also presented.

Committees were announced by the President as follows:

Nominations—Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Mrs. C. H. Stephenson.

Recommendations—Mrs. S. C. Harrell, Mrs. Herbert Harrell, Mrs. John King, Mrs. J. A. Williams, Miss Minnie Dofflemyer.

Resolutions—Mrs. L. E. Smith, Mrs. J. R. Foster, Mrs. I. W. Johnson.

Finance—Mrs. L. W. Stagg, Mrs. J. M. Rabey, Mrs. A. M. Johnson.

Upon motion, reports of the Conferences were adopted as follows:

ALABAMA WOMEN'S MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

Reported this conference has withdrawn, but had sent in \$184.59 in 1834-35, and \$50.00 in 1935-36 before withdrawing.

REPORT OF NORTH CAROLINA WOMAN'S MISSION CONFERENCE.

Our objectives have been: Educational; Enrichment of Prayer Life; an adequate contact with the Young People; and Financial.

For the 1935 Spring Rallies, Miss Ruth Johnson, Rev. R. F. Brown, Rev. C. E. Newman, and W. T. Scott prepared very splendid addresses on The American Board work, under the title, "Our Field and its Challenge." With the use of large wall maps and small maps for individual use this study proved very profitable. Dr. James Lightbourne, Dr. C. Rexford Raymond, and Dr. Stanley Harrell introduced to our women the newly organized Council for Social Action, emphasizing the importance of a study of international relations as they bear on World Missions and World Peace, also the urgent need of Christian people keeping informed and using their influence to improve social conditions in our own country and community.

A high spiritual level was attained in these rallies during the reading of Dr. Atkinson's address and the Period of Devotion. Mrs. C. M. Cannon, Rev. T. E. White, and Mrs. S. C. Harrell were responsible for the preparation of these Devotionals.

The 1935 Conference sought to emphasize these same definite needs. Dean Elberts Russell's address, "World Missions and World Peace," and Dr. Atkinson's address, "Speaking the Wonderful Words of God," were challenging.

Our leaders feel a need of a more adequate scheme of organization for the young people. Cradle Rolls and Willing Workers function quite well as auxiliary organizations of the woman's work, but not always does the scheme fit in with the plans of young people.

The financial goal for the past biennium has been \$7,500. To date we have raised \$7,278.99 toward that goal.

There are on the president's roll 68 Woman's Societies; 14 Young People's Societies; 7 Willing Workers; and 13 Cradle Roll Societies: but our state Treasurer's roll shows only 49 Woman's Societies; 10 Young People's; 5 Willing Workers; and 9 Cradle Roll Societies. I cannot state the total enrollment of persons comprised in these Societies.

The central objective for the 1936 rally program in addition to a follow up of last year's program was an endeavor to enrich the local churches, realizing that they constitute Christ's body, and that unless they are healthy in all their divisions, the great mission of the church must suffer. The 1936 Rallies were well attended and evidenced a wholesome spirit. Miss Olive Greene from the American Board's Smyrna Girls School gave a new insight into conditions there.

I should like to include in this report a word of appreciation to our state officers who have worked so conscientiously. They are Miss Margaret Alston, Miss Alice May Holmes, Mrs. W. P. Lawrence, Mrs. C. H. Stephenson, Miss Mary Fix, Mrs. B. M. Newman, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, and Mrs. W. T. Scott.

Also may I recommend to you our seven District Leaders and their splendid spirit of cooperation. Until the recent Rallies and the changing of officers, they were: Mrs. C. C. Fonville, Mrs. C. E. Newman, Mrs. J. R. Foster, Mrs. R. L. Ross, Mrs. Hugh York, Mrs. J. L. Harward, and Miss Margaret Alston. Newly

ected leaders are: Mrs. A. B. McFarland, Mrs. C. M. Cannon, Mrs. R. E. Caviness, Mrs. R. M. Rothgeb, and Mrs. T. W. Chandler. We have profited appreciably by the splendid literature and helps coming from the Boston and New York Offices.

Tuesday, October 6, 1936, is the time set for the fall Conference, which meets in the Durham Congregational Christian Church.

As we review the past two years, on the whole there is definite cause for encouragement. The coming of the Congregational fellowship into our organization brings new zeal, and the organization of five new societies is heartening. But all necessary work has not been done. For those who wish real work, I know of no more challenging opportunity than that which may be found here at our door.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. STANLEY C. HARRELL,
President.

EASTERN VIRGINIA WOMEN'S MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

We feel that we have gone forward in our Eastern Virginia Women's Missionary Conference, but realize we have a long way to go. We feel that a new day is dawning in missions around the world, which calls for a reconsecration of our energies.

Our Conference is divided into three districts. Each district holds a spring rally, which proves quite helpful.

We have in our Conference 27 Women's Societies, 22 Young People's Societies, 19 Willing Worker's Societies and 16 Cradle Rolls, with a total membership of 2,111.

Our Treasurer reports a total of \$9,806.49 raised for the biennium.

Recommendations for 1935-36 were as follows:

1. That the goal for the year be \$5,500.00.
2. That we continue to meet on the first Friday in October, and the Young People preceding the Women's Conference.
3. That all bills and reports be in the hands of the Conference Treasurer by September 30th, in order that her books may be audited, and her complete report made at the Conference.
4. That the Thank Offering be put in the general fund.
5. That the offering at the District Meetings be used to pay expenses of one or more delegates to some Summer School of Missions, person or persons to be decided upon by Executive Committee of the Board, and that Conference pay the expenses of our President to some Summer School of Missions.
6. That an increasing number of our Young People attend the local training institutes and the Elon Summer Training School.
7. That the suggested programs prepared by the Southern Convention Committee be used, together with information on the program material furnished by the Literature Superintendent, Mrs. E. L. Beale.
8. That all letters sent by members of Board asking for information on social societies be promptly answered.
9. That District Superintendents have call meetings of presidents of local societies as soon as possible after conference to discuss the work of their district and offer suggestions to be submitted by the District Superintendent at Board Meetings.

MRS. JOHN G. TRUITT,
Second Vice President.

The report of Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasurer, was read by the secretary, and was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

MAY, 1934 TO MAY, 1936.

Balance on hand May 1, 1934 \$ 171.92

RECEIPTS.

1934-35

1935-36

Alabama Conference:

First quarter	\$ 63.24	\$ 50.00
Second quarter	26.35	
Third quarter	55.00	
Fourth quarter	40.00	
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	\$ 184.59	\$ 50.00

Valley of Virginia Central Conference.

First quarter	\$ 183.98	\$ 140.17
Second quarter	23.36	33.44
Third quarter	88.90	53.21
Fourth quarter	61.68	66.87
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	\$ 357.92	\$ 293.69

Eastern Virginia Conference:

First quarter	\$ 630.00	\$1,005.00
Second quarter	1,560.00	1,160.00
Third quarter	924.00	1,270.00
Fourth quarter	1,002.30	1,215.00
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	\$4,116.30	\$4,650.00

North Carolina Conference:

First quarter	\$ 647.78	\$ 640.51
Second quarter	1,402.73	1,610.62
Third quarter	417.16	449.96
Fourth quarter	959.44	1,073.38
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	\$3,457.11	\$3,774.47

	\$8,085.92	\$8,768.16	16,854.08
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Total for biennium	\$17,026.00
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DISBURSEMENTS.

1934

May 7	Expense, Woman's Meeting, Suffolk, Va. ..	\$ 85.34
June 11	Mrs. L. W. Stagg, Secretary	14.01
July 18	J. O. Atkinson, Home and Foreign Missions .	1,514.02
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treas., Sav., L. M., M.	10.00
Sept. 12	The Gurley Press, printing	4.52
	Expenses of Program Committee	28.89
Oct. 22	J. O. Atkinson, Home and Foreign Missions .	2,831.02
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treas., Sav., L. M., M.	70.02

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Jan. 16	J. O. Atkinson, Home and Foreign Missions .	1,536.00
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treas., Sav., L. M., M.	10.00
	Norfolk Letter Writing Co.	1.85
Apr. 15	West & Withers Bond for Treasurer	12.50
16	J. O. Atkinson, Home and Foreign Missions .	2,013.00
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treas., Sav., L. M., M.	10.00

July	13	J. O. Atkinson, Home and Foreign Missions .	1,785.00
Sept.	18	Expenses of Program Committees	38.60
Oct.	22	J. O. Atkinson, Home and Foreign Missions .	2,784.00
		Expenses of Program Committees	20.39
	30	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treas., Sav., L. M., M.	50.00
Dec.	13	Trollinger's, flowers for Mrs. Carroll	5.15
1936			
Jan.	14	J. O. Atkinson, Home and Foreign Missions .	1,731.53
Mar.	24	West & Withers, Bond for Treasurer	12.50
Apr.	4	Mrs. W. R. Sellars, President, expense	3.00
	16	J. O. Atkinson, Home and Foreign Missions .	2,335.00
		Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treas., Sav., L. M., M.	50.00
Total Disbursements			16,956.34
Balance			\$ 69.66
Savings Account, Life Memberships and Memorials, in Farmer's Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Va.			287.39
Loan from Savings Account to Mission Board, S. S. C., secured by notes of \$800.00 and \$200.00			1,000.00
Respectfully submitted, MRS. H. S. HARDCASTLE, <i>Treasurer.</i>			

The report of the Finance Committee was read by Mrs. J. M. Rabey and was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Your committee finds that the books of our treasurer, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, have been audited by A. H. Hargreave, assistant cashier of the Farmer's Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Virginia, and found to be correct.

We recommend that the goal for the next biennium remain \$20,000.00 and that same be apportioned as follows: Eastern Virginia: \$10,500.00; North Carolina: \$8,400.00; Virginia Valley Central: \$1,000.00. (As Alabama Conference that was apportioned \$600.00 has not reported through this Board the past year, the committee did not feel it had the authority to reapportion them, and instead added \$400.00 to Eastern Virginia apportionment, and \$200.00 to North Carolina in order to have the goal remain \$20,000.00).

We believe and recommend that this body in session today should consider if the use of, and interest in, the programs prepared by the committee of this Board justify the work and expense of same.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. L. W. STAGG,
MRS. J. M. RABY,
MRS. A. M. JOHNSON,
Committee.

Address, "Missions, the Duty and Aim of the Church," by Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mission Secretary, included a historical survey of the twenty-four years of the women's work.

Duet, Mrs. W. N. Huff and Mr. M. Z. Rhodes.

Address, "Our World-Wide Objective," by Miss Olive Green, missionary from Smyrna, Turkey.

Benediction, Dr. C. H. Rowland.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order at 1:30 o'clock.

Hymn, "O Zion, Haste."

Prayer, Mrs. C. H. Rowland.

Address, "The Women and the Effective Church," by Mrs. D. E. Brown, Associate Secretary, Commission on Missions, New York City.

Address, "Standing by One Another," by Miss Pattie Coghill, Jacksonville, Fla.

Hymn, "Publish Glad Tidings."

A memorial to Mrs. W. H. Carroll was given by Mrs. C. H. Rowland as follows:

IN MEMORY OF MRS. W. H. CARROLL.

In the passing from our midst of Mrs. W. H. Carroll of Burlington, our Convention has lost one of its most faithful and efficient officials and servants. It is doubtful if anyone of our number, from the organization of this work to the present, served in as many official capacities and served as efficiently and as acceptably as did Mrs. Carroll. When the Women's Board was organized in Raleigh in 1912 she became its first Secretary, in which capacity she served until she was elected President some years later. She served as President of this body until she was forced to resign on account of ill health. At the time of her death, November 5, 1935, she was filling the position of Superintendent of Spiritual Life, both in this Convention and in her State Conference. It was through her influence more than that of anyone else that this department was created, and from the time that she was elected Superintendent in 1928, until the time of her passing, she gave her influence and interest to this vital department of our work. It was this which seemed most to her liking, and in this she served with greatest devotion and enthusiasm. During the last years of her life the one object of her activities in our mission work seemed to be that of helping to create a spiritual atmosphere and to give spiritual meaning and significance to our mission work.

Over our Convention she presided with dignity and deliberation; as Secretary, her records were kept with accuracy and skill; as Superintendent of Spiritual Life, she encouraged the societies to emphasize the spiritual things of God. Surely a rich legacy in this she has left for us, her co-workers, and we are richer because she worked with us and for us. Through all the years of our Women's work that may come, her name will be transmitted and kept in sacred memory, because of her zeal for her Lord and her love for the mission cause.

It was moved and adopted that this memorial be made a part of our records and that a copy be sent the family.

REPORT OF YOUNG PEOPLE.

The Aims, Needs, and Possibilities of our Young People's Work.

By the way of summary of that which the young people and their leaders in our Convention have said, it seems to me that our aim is to get all the young people in all of our churches to work cooperatively in Missionary endeavor. This will mean an educational program in the local churches that will not only reach representatives of the missionary societies but also young people in the Christian Endeavor, Sunday school, church, and all other affiliated organizations.

One of the primary needs, it seems to me, is for a mission secretary in each church who will give considerable time and thought to the entire missionary program of that church. With even one well trained mission leader in a church, there is a chance for real progress in missionary endeavor.

Our young people have suggested that there is a need for greater unity in program materials. They now receive in some conferences a program guide for missionary work, suggested activities for Christian Endeavor, and a considerable variety of material from Youth Fellowship. Leaders in local churches think that it would be well for those who are responsible for distribution of all these materials to get together and work out a coordinated plan which will be presented to the local churches. They are not asking for fewer materials but for more. They do want a rather definite program that is unified and covers not only missions but other phases of church work in which young people should engage.

There is needed a definite program of education and activity which will reach all of our churches and all of our young people.

Our possibilities are limited mainly by our willingness to work enthusiastically. We can have better trained leaders. The Elon Summer School of Leadership Training which will be held June 29th to July 5th, will have Dr. Bell, a missionary from Africa, who can teach leaders from all our churches concerning our study book for next year, which will be on Africa. If the churches will send at least one person to the Elon Summer School to study missions, there will be a chance of having mission study in the church during the next year.

The young people are dreaming of building a new world on the basis of Christian principles. It is possible for this to be accomplished. They need and desire the guidance of older people, and it is possible for each church to have an adult leader who will guide the young people in their missionary work and study.

EDNA FULCHER, *Superintendent.*

Talk—"Our Children," by Mrs. W. E. Wisseman.

REPORT OF CONVENTION EDITOR FOR 1935-1936.

During the past biennium your Convention Editor has made a conscientious effort to carry out the ideals set up for such an office. The chief responsibility has been to edit and furnish to *The Christian Sun* news items from the various societies. Letters of appeal have been sent out, articles have been written in *The Sun*, asking for support, and talks at Missionary Conferences have been made in its behalf. This could be made a very helpful and interesting part of our church paper, if our societies would cooperate by sending in their news.

Frequently, in my going about, I meet a lady or a gentleman who will say, "Oh, yes, I remember you. I read the news items sent to *The Sun* through you." That shows that people are reading and enjoying this work. Then, think of the help your plans and ideas may be to some other society. This department is dependent solely upon the cooperation of the various societies, and we urge you to be more loyal and helpful. Let me suggest this one thing to the conferences, that this become a point on your standard of excellence for the ensuing year. The Eastern Virginia Conference has worked it on their standard for several years and, as a result, from them we get most of our news items. We ought to be happy to tell others of our achievements, and if your society has nothing to tell, then it is time you get busy and do something. Let us put our shoulders to the wheel and work with a will.

As has been suggested in this report before, I feel that all the news items, programs and announcements, should be put under one department known as "Women's Work." Let this be our goal.

We appreciate the cooperation of those who have helped to make this department one of mutual help and strength, and we pray for its continued success and growth.

It has been a joy and a pleasure to have a part in the Women's Board work and to be associated with this group of loyal, earnest women.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. M. JAY,
Convention Editor.

REPORT ON LIFE MEMBERSHIPS AND MEMORIALS.

Your superintendent of the Department of Life Memberships and Memorials begs to report for the Virginia and North Carolina Conferences of Congregational-Christian Churches of the Southeast Convention.

Eastern Virginia:

Memorial Memberships	7
Life Memberships	4

Total 11

North Carolina:

Memorial Memberships	5
Life Memberships	2

Total 7

No. of Memberships for biennium, 1934-36 18

Total Memberships, 1926-34 91

Total to date 109

Yours in His service,

MRS. M. J. W. WHITE,
Superintendent.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

President—Mrs. John G. Truitt, Suffolk, Va.

Vice-President—Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, Durham, N. C.

Secretary—Mrs. C. M. Cannon, Elon College, N. C.

Treasurer—Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Norfolk, Va.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. J. S. Rollins, Suffolk, Va.

Superintendent of Literature—Mrs. Carl R. Key, Holland, Va.

Superintendent of Young People—Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, Greensboro, N. C.

Superintendent of Cradle Roll—Mrs. B. D. Jones, Holland, Va.

Superintendent of Spiritual Life—Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Burlington, N. C.

Superintendent of Life Membership and Memorials—Mrs. M. J. W. White, Norfolk, Va.

Convention Editor—Mrs. W. M. Jay, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. H. ROWLAND,
MRS. W. V. LEATHERS,
MRS. C. H. STEPHENSON,
Committee.

Report adopted and officers elected as nominated.

The report of the Committee on Recommendations was adopted as follows, and it was moved that it be printed in *The Christian Sun*:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECOMMENDATIONS.

We, your Committee on Recommendations, would offer the following:

1. The year 1937 marks the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Woman's Missionary Convention. We recommend that a committee be appointed whose duty it shall be to compile an adequate history of the Convention, and build a Program of Celebration to be used by the churches and conferences during the year.

2. That every society make sure of at least one paid-up subscription to *The Christian Sun*, and that there be at least one person in each society responsible for a careful reading of each copy. We further recommend the *Missionary Herald* and *Advance* as sources of information and inspiration.

3. We recommend that every society president's name be placed on the mailing list of Literature Headquarters, 14 Beacon Street, Boston, and on the Presidents' Exchange, 287 Fourth Avenue, New York. We recommend the continuance of the packets for Juniors and Willing Workers. We recommend that the Conference Superintendents of Literature be prepared to recommend and sell booklets which in their judgment would enrich society programs. We recommend that the Young People be encouraged to incorporate the Youth Fellowship Programs in their Mission Programs.

4. We recommend that all other sources, such as Literature Headquarters, 14, Beacon Street, Boston; Presidents' Exchange, 287 Fourth Avenue, New York; recommended Study Courses, and Spiritual Life Programs, be re-endorsed and continued. Further, that the project known as "A Day of Mission Study," introduced and so successfully promoted in 1935 by Mrs. L. E. Smith, be formally approved by this body, with a request to Mrs. Smith that in so far as circumstances permit, she arrange for a similar program each year.

5. We recommend the continued support of the Elon Leadership Training School, and urge societies to send students there and to other available summer schools of religious instruction.

6. We recommend that women from this Convention avail themselves of the privilege of attending the Duke Institute of International Relations, June 8th to 19th, 1936.

7. We recommend that every Christian woman diligently study the problems confronting our government and cast her vote for candidates whom she considers most worthy of her support during the 1936 elections.

8. We recommend to this body that a committee be appointed to appeal to the Southern Convention for the employment of a full time worker to promote the Educational Program of the whole church.

9. This Convention acknowledges and appreciates the splendid cooperation which has been given by pastors in promoting mission work, and we recommend that all pastors of churches which do not have missionary societies be requested to cooperate with State Officers and District Leaders to the end that there may be a missionary society in every church within this Convention.

MRS. S. C. HARRELL,
MRS. JOHN KING,
MRS. HERBERT HARRELL,
MRS. J. A. WILLIAMS,
MISS MINNIE DOFFLEMYRE,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, the Committee on Resolutions, submit the following report:

1. We are grateful to the Giver of all good gifts for this beautiful day; for His ever mindful thought of us expressed at this season in the loveliness of spring.

2. Our fellowship, today, has again been sacred, our desires for the coming of God's kingdom to all the world renewed. We are grateful for all who have contributed to the inspiration of this day by their presence and interest.

3. We are indebted to those whose time and effort are constantly required for the promotion of our mission work as reflected in the reports made here today. We especially thank the Program Committee for its vision in its selections of topic and messenger, and for the cooperation of those chosen. We are not unmindful of our consecrated president, who, through these two years, has carried on efficiently and faithfully; we are grateful for the continued strength and well-being of our beloved Mission Secretary, Dr. J. O. Atkinson. We especially thank our guest speakers, Miss Olive Green, Mrs. D. E. Brown, and our own Miss Pattie Coghill, for their timely and helpful messages.

4. Burlington Church is always most gracious in its hospitality. May we extend a rising vote of thanks to pastor and people for their many courtesies we have enjoyed.

As we return to our respective places of service we would rededicate our lives to a more consecrated service to God and to the joy of witnessing as well as praying and giving.

Mrs. L. E. Smith,
Mrs. I. W. Johnson,
MRS. JOHN FOSTER,
Committee.

Report adopted, and Convention stood as an expression of thanks to the Burlington Church.

The new officers were introduced to the Convention, and Mrs. Truitt announced there would be a meeting of the Women's Board Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. She requested all officers to be presented and invited any others interested to attend.

Minutes were adopted as read.

Hymn, "Blest Be the Tie that Binds."

Benediction by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

MRS. W. R. SELLARS, *President.*
MRS. C. M. CANNON, *Secretary.*

Minutes of the Ninth Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Woman's Missionary Conference.

NEW HOPE CHRISTIAN CHURCH, JULY 23, 1936.

THEME: "*Winning Others.*"

MORNING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order at 10 o'clock by the President Mrs. K. H. Sale. Opening hymn—"Tell Me the Story of Jesus."

Welcome address by the pastor, Dr. M. L. Weekley. Response by Mrs. Sale and Rev. W. J. Andes.

Mrs. J. E. Bryant led the worship service, using as her theme, "The Three Marks of a Christian." These three characteristics were "Forgiveness," "Gratitude" and "Humility." The Scriptural setting was found in the 17th Chapter of Luke.

The following churches were represented: Antioch, Bethel, Linville, New Hope, Newport and Winchester.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Woman's Societies—Bethel, \$12.64; Dry Run, \$13.50; Leaksville, \$44.31; Linville, \$72.38; New Hope, \$25.40; Newport, \$10.75; Winchester, \$85.00; total, 263.98.

Young People's Societies—Antioch, \$39.99; Linville, Jr., \$10.44; total, \$50.43.

Cradle Roll Societies—Antioch, \$.65; Leaksville, \$.90; Linville, \$5.00; total, \$6.55.

RECEIPTS.

Amount in treasury, July 11, 1935	\$	3.37
Conference Offerings, July 25, 1935		6.28
Women's Societies		263.98
Young People's Societies		50.43
Cradle Roll Societies		6.55
Special by Ella Pickering		2.50
	\$	333.11

DISBURSEMENTS.

July 25, 1935, to Rev. Ivan R. Smith	\$	2.00
Oct. 15, 1935, to Mrs. Hardcastle, Treasurer		33.44
Nov. 30, 1935, to Burk & Price, bond		2.50
Jan. 10, 1936, to Mrs. Hardcastle, Treasurer		53.21
April 13, 1936, to Mrs. Hardcastle, Treasurer		66.87
July 14, 1936, to Mrs. Hardcastle, Treasurer		125.39
July 14, 1936, postage .....		.65
		284.06
Balance in Treasury	\$	49.05

Respectfully submitted,

VERDIE SHOWALTER,
Treasurer.

Report adopted.

CRADLE ROLL REPORT.

Antioch—4 members .....	.65
Leaksville—9 members .....	.90
Linville—23 members	5.00
Winchester—8 members .....	.00

Totals—44 members \$ 6.55

MRS. E. LENA ROTHGEB,
Superintendent.

Miss Minnie Dofflemeyer and Rev. W. J. Andes gave reports from the Southern Woman's Missionary Convention.

The matter of a separate meeting for the Woman's Missionary Convention was considered. A motion passed that we ask that the Woman's Convention be held the same time as the Southern Convention.

An address was given by Mrs. R. E. Moore of Mt. Clinton, a returned missionary from India.

Special Committees were appointed. Rev. W. J. Andes and Mrs. Ada Whitlock were appointed to report to the papers.

A reading, "Radio Broadcast" was given by Miss Helen Showalter.

The President exhibited a Cent-a-Meal Box which she stated would be placed on the table at noon and all who wished, should place their contributions in it instead of the usual offering.

Song—"Anywhere with Jesus."

Benediction by Dr. M. L. Weekley and Grace at the table by Rev. W. C. Hook.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Hymn—"I Love to Tell the Story."

Devotionals conducted by Dr. Weekley, from St. John, Chap. 10.

REPORT FROM WOMEN'S SOCIETIES.

Bethel—Members, 23; increase, 1.

Dry Run—Members, 13; increase, 1; average attendance, 10.

Leaksville—Members, 36; increase, 1; average attendance, 12; held Thankoffering program.

Linville—Members, 32; average attendance, 13; held Thankoffering program.

New Hope—Members, 14; average attendance, 12.

Newport—Members, 29; increase, 4; average attendance, 10.

Winchester—Members, 18; average attendance, 10; held Thankoffering program.

MRS. SAM EARMAN,
Superintendent.

Report adopted.

REPORT FROM YOUNG PEOPLE'S SUPERINTENDENT.

The youth of our land is facing a great problem—the problem of world missions. Shortly, the youth of today will be the ones who are supporting the missionary enterprise. This means the young people of our churches should be trained to be missionary-minded workers. In what better way can this be done than through an active young people's missionary society. A society that is interesting, a society where you really learn about missions, a society that really gives you the missionary zeal.

A society such as this provides training for leadership, which is a most important factor in youth's accomplishments. A group never rises above its leader. Much missionary work can also be done through Sunday School and Christian Endeavor, but here only part time emphasis can be placed on missions.

I recommend:

1. Organization of more young people's missionary societies in the Conference.
2. Where there is not a sufficient number of young people to organize a society, missions be studied and supported through some other organization such as a Sunday School class or Christian Endeavor Society. May we all unite our prayers and make a yet nobler plea for youth and the cause of missions.

In our Conference we have only 2 active Young People's Societies; Antioch, 35 members and Linville, 12 members.

HELEN SHOWALTER,
Supt. Y. P. Dept.

Report adopted.

LITERATURE REPORT.

Reports were received from Antioch, Bethel, Dry Run, Leaksville, Linville, New Hope and Winchester. Total number of books read, 51; magazines read, 59; articles read, 618; visits to sick, 381.

MINNIE DOFFLEMYER,
Superintendent, Literature.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Finance recommend that the goal be as last year:

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES.

Bethel	\$ 20.00	New Hope	\$ 20.00
Bethlehem	30.00	Whistlers C.	10.00
Leaksville	60.00	Winchester	85.00
Linville	75.00	Woods C.	10.00
Dry Run	15.00		

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Antioch	\$ 65.00	Newport	\$ 15.00
Linville	5.00	Timber Ridge	40.00
Mayland	10.00		

CRADEL ROLLS.

Antioch	\$ 4.00	Linville	\$ 6.00
Leaksville	5.00	Winchester	2.50

VERDIE SHOWALTER,
MABEL HIGGS,
MRS. J. E. BRYANT,

Committee.

Report adopted.

STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE.

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1. An average attendance of at least one-half of active members ..	15
2. Ten per cent of members at Mid-year Rally	10
3. Representation at Annual Missionary Conference	10
4. Fifteen per cent reading one or more missionary books	10
5. An increase in membership	10
6. Quarterly reports by first of October, January, April and July	20
7. Thankoffering Service held	10
8. A Cradle Roll in every church	10
9. Ten per cent reading <i>Missionary Herald</i>	5

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MRS. SAM EARMAN,
ANNA LOU SHOWALTER,
MINNIE DOFFLEMYER,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, submit the following:

1. We renew our devotion to the great missionary enterprise of the church and pledge ourselves to a larger understanding and support of this great cause.
2. That we pledge ourselves to the fullest cooperation with our various denominational agencies in the missionary enterprises of the church.
3. We thank Mrs. R. E. Moore for her most instructive address on India.
4. We thank the local church for its cordial welcome and splendid hospitality.

M. L. WEEKLEY,
AMY LOUDERBACK
MRS. N. M. HASLER,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee, recommend all officers be re-elected as follows:

President—Mrs. K. H. Sale.
Vice-President—Mrs. A. W. Andes.
Secretary—Mrs. B. F. Frank.
Treasurer—Miss Verdie Showalter.
Cradle Roll Superintendent—Mrs. E. Lena Rothgeb.
Women's Superintendent—Mrs. Sam Earman.
Young People's Superintendent—Miss Helen Showalter.
Literature Superintendent—Miss Minnie Dofflemyer.
Spiritual Life Superintendent—Mrs. A. F. Kite.

MRS. A. K. SIRBAUGH,
MRS. ERNEST SPITZER,
W. J. ANDES,
Committee.

A beautiful candlelight instalation service was conducted by Rev. W. C. Hook. A rising vote of thanks was given him.

The New Hope Society gave an instructive playlet.

Miss Verdie Showalter led an interesting Round Table discussion.

A motion carried that we continue the plan of traveling library as last year, and use the books on Africa. The following committee was named to select the books for next year—Miss Anna Lou Showalter, Dr. M. L. Weekley and Mrs. J. E. Bryant.

A motion passed that we hold Rallies this fall. The Executive Committee was empowered to select District Superintendents to take charge and see that the Rallies are held.

A motion passed to give Mrs. R. E. Moore \$2.00 for her expenses.

Secretary was asked to send a letter of thanks to Miss Edna Fulcher of Suffolk for printing our programs for the day.

The Cent-a-Meal Box was presented and favorably commented on, but no definite steps were taken.

A motion carried that treasurer pay secretary 15 cents due on books.

A motion carried that we continue to hold our Women's Mission Conference as a separate group or session.

Hymn—"Sweeter as the Years Go By."

Benediction by Rev R. L. Williamson.

MRS. K. H. SALE, *President*,
MRS. B. F. FRANK, *Secretary*.

Minutes of the Twenty-Fourth Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference.

SUFFOLK CHRISTIAN CHURCH, SUFFOLK. VA.
OCTOBER 2, 1936.

THEME: "*Broadcasting Christ's Message.*"

MORNING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order at 10:00 A. M. by the President, Mrs. J. Monroe Harris.

Song service led by Rev. J. F. Morgan. Worship period conducted by Mrs. B. D. Jones.

Report of District Superintendents:

Norfolk—Mrs. J. F. Morgan, Superintendent: Societies, 9; members, 279; offering, \$1,146.63.

Nansemond-Franklin-Gates—Mrs. John King, Superintendent; Societies, 49; members, 1,246; offering, \$3,055.03. Also \$57 raised to defray expenses of delegate to Eagles Mere, Pa., Interdenominational Conference of Missions.

Waverly—Mrs. E. T. Atkinson, Superintendent: Societies, 14; members, 118; offering, \$297.97.

Recognition of fourteen ministers present; Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mission Secretary, and Mrs. Lee Britt, President of the Methodist Board. Col. J. E. West, Chairman of the Mission Board, was also recognized, and he gave a brief message.

Mesdames Joe French, Carl Key and Robert Lee House, new members in our Conference, were welcomed at this time.

It was moved and carried that greetings be sent to Mr. J. M. Darden, Assistant Mission Secretary, and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Williams.

Reports of Departmental Superintendents were as follows:

Young People—Mrs. Garland Spratley, Superintendent: Societies, 25; new societies, 6; members, 391; offering, \$931.64.

Juniors—Societies, 21; members, 418; offering, \$387.70.

Spiritual Life—Mrs. B. G. Harrell, Superintendent: No report.

Cradle Roll—Mrs. F. M. Nelson, Superintendent: Cradle Rolls, 17; members, 379; new members, 59; offering, \$86.06.

Publicity—Mrs. W. M. Jay, Convention Editor: News items sent in: by Women's Societies, 15; Young People's Societies, 7; Junior Societies, 7.

Literature—Mrs. E. L. Beale: Both free literature and leaflets and literature to be sold were given out, telling of how to use. Study books were for sale; also packages of helps for each society were given out. All literature may be ordered from No. 14 Beacon St., Boston, Mass., and 287 Fourth Ave., New York, N. Y.

Life and Memorial Memberships—Mrs. J. C. Ellis, Superintendent.

Life Memberships: Rev. C. E. Gerringer, Antioch; Rev. R. E. Brittle, Bethlehem; Dr. N. G. Newman, Holy Neck; Mrs. A. B. Jarvis, Christian Temple;

Mrs. A. M. Johnson, Christian Temple; Miss Bertha Savage, Young People, Liberty Spring; Mrs. J. G. Truitt, Suffolk; Mrs. James Ramsey, Rosemont; Mrs. O. S. Mills, Rosemont; Mrs. J. J. Lincoln, Wakefield.

Memorials: Mrs. M. C. Riddick, Suffolk; Miss Margaret Brothers, Suffolk; Mrs. J. M. Bryant, Oakland; Mrs. W. C. Moore, Oakland; Miss Willie Turner, Liberty Spring; Mrs. Bess Bradshaw, Liberty Spring; Mrs. Doris Baker, Liberty Spring.

The President's message was given by Mrs. Russell T. Bradford, First Vice-President, using as her theme "The Motive of Broadcasting." At the close of her address, Mrs. W. E. McCordell, sang "I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go, Dear Lord," being accompanied by Mrs. I. W. Johnson.

Mrs. J. M. Raby, Treasurer, made her report for the year ending October 15, 1936, as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Women's Societies—Antioch, 15 members, \$35; *Berea, Nans., 22 members, \$75; Berea, Norf., 27 members, \$76.42; **Bethlehem, 50 members, \$166; Burton's Grove, \$2.20; **Christian Temple, 84 members, \$420; **Cypress Chapel, 12 members, \$105; *Damascus, 30 members, \$75; **Dendron, 12 members, \$62.95; **Elm Avenue, 13 members, \$40; Eure, \$15.43; **First, Norfolk, 16 members, \$80.49; First, Portsmouth, 23 members, \$77.60; *First, Richmond, 10 members, \$50; *Franklin, 30 members, \$200; **Holland, 38 members, \$151; **Holy Neck, 38 members, \$160; Hopewell, 10 members, \$8.01; *Isle of Wright, 15 members, \$55; **Liberty Spring, 46 members, \$230.75; **Mt. Carmel, 23 members, \$73.04; *Newport News, 30 members, \$104; **Oakland, 22 members, \$70; Ocean View, 20 members; **Rosemont, 45 members, \$223.62; South Norfolk, 21 members, \$44.50; **Suffolk, 131 members, \$560; **Wakefield, 16 members, \$75; *Waverly, 14 members, \$50; **Windsor, 20 members, \$81.75; Total members, 833; total offerings, \$3,367.76.

Young People's Societies—Barretts, 10 members, \$2.72; *Bethlehem, 34 members, \$95; Burton's Grove, 16 members, \$16.40; Christian Temple, \$4.66; Cypress Chapel, 25 members, \$36; **Dendron, 11 members, \$29.50; Eure, no report; First, Norfolk, no report; *First, Portsmouth, 14 members, \$50; *Franklin, 25 members, \$75; *Holland, 12 members, \$35; **Holy Neck, 18 members, \$42; Hopewell, no report; Ivor, \$5; **Liberty Spring, 25 members, \$70; *Mt. Carmel, 20 members, \$30; New Lebanon, 18 members, \$15.89; *Newport News, \$20; *Oakland, 45 members, \$35; **Rosemont, 20 members, \$36.47; South Norfolk, 12 members, \$25; Spring Hill, 19 members, \$9; *Suffolk, 52 members, \$250; *Waverly, \$10; **Windsor, 15 members, \$39; Total members, 391; total offerings, \$921.64.

Junior Societies—Berea, Nans., 36 members, \$25; *Bethlehem, 24 members, \$25; Burton's Grove, 15 members, \$2.19; **Christian Temple, 55 members, \$48.50; Cypress Chapel, 10 members, \$16; Eure, no report; First, Norfolk, no report; *First, Portsmouth, 27 members, \$20; *Franklin, 26 members, \$30; *Holland, 32 members, \$35; *Holy Neck, 32 members, \$35; **Mt. Carmel, 18 members, \$15.53; *Liberty Spring, 18 members, \$25; Newport News, \$6; Ocean View, no report; *Oakland, 21 members, \$5; **Rosemont, 20 members, \$17.48; South Norfolk, no report; *Suffolk, 50 members, \$65; Waverly (new), 17 members, \$2; *Windsor, 17 members, \$15; Total members, 418, Total offerings, \$387.70.

Cradle Rolls—Bethlehem, \$3.89; Christian Temple, \$8; Cypress Chapel, \$5.25; Damascus, \$5.18; First, Norfolk, \$2.03; First, Portsmouth, 50c.; Franklin, \$4.50; Holland, \$4.89; Holy Neck, \$5; Hopewell, no report; Liberty Spring,

\$8; Mt. Carmel, \$8.26; Newport News, \$2; Oakland, \$7.24; Rosemont, \$9.67; South Norfolk, \$3; Suffolk, \$5; Waverly, \$2; Windsor, \$1.65; Total, \$86.06.
Offerings, District Meetings—Norfolk District, \$13.31; Nansemond-Franklin-Gates District, \$63.50; Waverly District, \$6.25; Total, \$83.06.

NOTE: One star (*) indicates apportionment paid in full; two stars (**) indicate that apportionment was exceeded.

RECEIPTS.

Women's Societies	\$3,367.76
Young People's Societies	931.64
Junior Societies	387.70
Cradle Rolls	86.06
Offerings, District Meetings	83.06
Offering, Young People's Meeting, Sept. 25th	13.31
Refund, Delegates' Expenses, Summer School Missions	14.00
Conference Offering, 1935	29.08

\$4,912.61

Balance brought forward from last year 742.54

\$5,655.15

DISBURSEMENTS.

Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treas. S. C. C.	\$5,034.00
Charts and Posters	4.50
Donation, Mrs. J. E. Cartwright	100.00
Officers' Expense Items for the year	55.09
Printing Year Book, Stationery and Programs	49.45
Expenses of Speakers	10.35
Premium on Treasurer's Bond	5.00
Expenses of Delegates, Summer School Missions ..	125.00

5,383.39

- Balance, September 30, 1936 \$ 271.76

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. M. RABY, *Treasurer*.

This is to certify that according to our records, the balance standing to the credit of the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Board of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, Mrs. J. M. Raby, Treasurer, at the close of business, September 30, 1936, is \$271.76

S. T. HOLLAND, *Cashier*,
 Farmers Bank, Windsor, Va.

HONOR ROLLS.

Honor Roll of Churches—Bethlehem, Franklin, Holland, Holy Neck, Liberty Spring, Mt. Carmel, Oakland, Rosemont, Suffolk, Waverly, Windsor.

Honor Roll of Women's Societies—Bethlehem, Berea (Nans.), Christian Temple, Dendron, Franklin, Holland, Holy Neck, Damascus, Oakland, Suffolk, Liberty Spring, Rosemont, Windsor.

Honor Roll of Young People's Societies—Bethlehem, Dendron, Franklin, Holy Neck, Liberty Spring, Rosemont, Windsor.

Honor Roll of Juniors—Holland, Holy Neck, Franklin, Rosemont, Windsor, First, Portsmouth.

Hymn, "Publish Glad Tidings."

The following committees were appointed:

Nominations—Mrs. I. W. Johnson, Mrs. Linwood Norfleet, Mrs. A. L. Jolly, Mrs. C. W. Rountree.

Courtesy—Mrs. O. S. Mills, Mrs. J. E. Cartwright, Mrs. J. C. Ellis.

Place of Meeting—Mrs. R. A. Rhoades, Mrs. Ed. Wagner.

The following recommendations were made:

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That as there is a recommendation from the Woman's Board of the Southern Convention that the Superintendent of Literature have on sale at the Conference leaflets that will be helpful in building programs, the societies should come to the Conference prepared to buy these leaflets.

2. That the goal for the year be \$5,500.00, and that the Twenty-fifth Anniversary be known as "Gift Year" and that each member of every Woman's Society contribute one dollar over and above their regular gift, every member of Young Peoples Societies contribute fifty cents, Juniors twenty-five cents, and Cradle Roll members ten cents.

3. That Memorial and Jubilee Gifts of larger sums be given by persons willing to give larger gifts, and that some definite project agreed upon by the Convention Woman's Board and the Mission Board be the objective of these gifts as a memorial to the women of the Southern Convention.

4. That the following changes be made in the Standards of Excellence:

(1) Eleven monthly meetings averaging fifty per cent be held during year.

(2) Each society to use program as recommended by Southern Convention for observation of Silver Jubilee; program to be put on during second quarter.

(3) Each society to add to list of officers one to bring in high lifts from *The Christian Sun* and review at meetings.

(4) That Young People and Juniors hold eleven meetings averaging fifty per cent present during the year.

Address, "Twenty-five Years of Broadcasting," Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Vocal Duet, "Have You Prayed It Through," Mesdames Vaughan and Jarvis, accompanied by Mrs. I. W. Johnson.

"Echoes from Eagles Mere Summer Mission Conference," Mrs. J. F. Morgan.

An offering was taken.

Dismissed by Dr. N. G. Newman.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order at 2:00 P. M. by the President, Mrs. Harris.

Song Service lead by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

An Address, "The Great Interrogation," by Mrs. Harry C. Leonard of Philadelphia, Pa.

Quartette, Dr. I. W. Johnson, Revs. O. D. Poythress, J. F. Morgan, and R. Lee House; accompanied by Mrs. I. W. Johnson.

Address, "Our Silver Anniversary," Mrs. John G. Truitt.

The Nominating Committee made the following report:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Nominations, beg leave to submit the following nominations of Officers for the ensuing year:

President—Mrs. J. Monroe Harris.

First Vice President—Mrs. R. T. Bradford.

Second Vice President—Mrs. B. D. Jones.

Secretary—Mrs. Herbert Harrell.

Treasurer—Mrs. J. M. Raby.

Superintendent Young People—Miss Caroline Gort.

Superintendent Literature—Mrs. J. E. Cartwright.

Superintendent Cradle Roll—Mrs. F. M. Nelson.

Superintendent Spiritual Life—Mrs. A. B. Jarvis.

Superintendent Life and Memorial Memberships—Mrs. J. C. Ellis.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. I. W. JOHNSON,

MRS. LINWOOD NORFLEET,

MRS. A. L. JOLLY,

MRS. C. W. ROUNTREE,

Committee.

Report adopted and nominees elected.

The Committee on Courtesy submitted the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COURTESY.

We, your Committee on Courtesy, wish to express our deep appreciation:

1. To the officers of this Conference for their splendid year's work.
2. To Dr. Atkinson, Mrs. Truitt and Mrs. Leonard, for their wonderful addresses, as well as to all others who had a part in making the program of the day such a success.
3. To the people of the Suffolk Church for their usual hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. O. S. MILLS,

MRS. J. E. CARTWRIGHT,

MRS. J. E. ELLIS,

Committee.

The Committee on Place of Meeting, Mrs. R. A. Rhoades and Mrs. Ed. Wagner, reported that Holy Neck Church had invited the Conference to meet with them in October, 1937.

Memoirs were conducted by Mrs. J. C. Manson, and lovely tribute paid the following: Mrs. M. C. Riddick, Suffolk; Miss Margaret Brothers, Suffolk; Mrs. J. M. Bryant, Oakland; Mrs. W. C. Moore, Oakland; Miss Willie Turner, Liberty Spring; Mrs. Bess Bradshaw, Liberty Spring; Mrs. Dorris Baker, Liberty Spring.

Adjourned to meet with Franklin Christian Church, October, 1937.

Closing prayer by Dr. I. W. Johnson .

MRS. J. MONROE HARRIS, *President*,

MRS. HERBERT HARRELL, *Secretary*.

Minutes of the Twenty-Fourth Annual Session of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Conference.

MORNING SESSION.

The Twenty-Fourth Annual Session of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Society met in Tuesday, October 6, 1936, with the Durham Christian Church.

The Conference was called to order by the President, Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell.

Prayer by Rev. S. C. Hyde.

Ministers and visitors were introduced by Dr. J. O. Atkinson, there being eighteen ministers in attendance.

The roll call of districts, and district reports were given: Mrs. T. W. Chandler reported for the Halifax district; Guilford, Mrs. A. B. Mcfarland; Alamance, Mrs. C. M. Cannon; Vance-Warren, Miss Margaret-Alston; Durham-Wake, Mrs. R. M. Rothgeb; Lee-Chatham-Moore, Mrs. R. L. Ross; Randolph, Mrs. R. E. Caveness.

Reports on Literature were given by Mrs. C. H. Rowland and Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell.

The report of the Treasurer was submitted and, on motion, was adopted as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Women's Societies	\$3,520.52	
Young People's Societies	188.15	
Willing Worker's	83.00	
Willing Workers (Juniors)	65.05	
Cradle Roll	87.82	
District Rally Offerings	36.61	
Conference 1935 Offering	22.20	
From Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Past Treasurer, refund dividend bank account	18.43	
		<hr/> \$4,021.78

DISBURSEMENTS.

Central Publishing Company, programs for Convention ..	\$ 2.75	
Mrs. Hardcastle, Treasurer	449.96	
Mrs. Hardcastle, Treasurer	10.00	
Bank charges	1.00	
Miss Ollie Green, Missionary	25.00	
Mrs. Hardcastle, Treasurer	648.38	
Mrs. Hardcastle, Treasurer	1,073.38	
Mrs. Hardcastle, Treasurer	1,811.31	
		<hr/> \$4,021.78

MRS. C. H. STEPHENSON,
Treasurer.

The following committees were appointed:

Place—Mrs. J. H. McEwen, Mrs. Geo. McFarland and Mrs. J. B. Ellington.
Resolutions and Recommendations—Mrs. Roy Caveness, Mrs. J. H. Dodd,
 Mrs. W. M. Jay.

Finance—Mrs. E. M. Carter, Mrs. C. H. Stephenson.

Nominations—Mrs. J. R. Foster, Mrs. H. D. Lambeth, and Mrs. J. Lee Johnson.

A violin solo was beautifully rendered by Mrs. Waldo H. Boone, which was followed by an address by Dr. J. O. Atkinson on "Twenty-Five Years of Broadcasting," which was a review of our Women's Work since organization and which gave a hopeful outlook for the future of the work.

Mrs. J. G. Truitt, President of the Woman's Board, brought to us a most inspiring message on the subject, "Sharing Christ with Others."

The morning devotional, "The Vision of Our Work," was impressively given by Mrs. Robert Smith, assisted by Mrs. H. E. Myers, soloist and Miss Mary Todd, pianist.

The service was continued with an offering which amounted to \$31.23.

Adjournment for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order at 2 o'clock by the President.

Rev. S. E. Madren led in prayer.

The principle feature of the afternoon session was an address by Dr. H. Shelton Smith.

Departmental reports were given as follows:

Cradle Roll—Mrs. B. M. Newman.

Young People—Miss Mary Fix.

Life Memberships and Memorials—Miss Margaret Alston.

Council for Social Action—Miss Alice May Holmes.

The Committee on Place recommended that Conference accept the invitation of the Raleigh Church as place of meeting for next year.

The Committee on Nominations submitted the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

President—Mrs. O. H. Paris.

First Vice-President—Miss Margaret Alston.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. Seth M. Vining.

Secretary—Mrs. H. D. Lambeth.

Treasurer—Mrs. C. H. Stephenson.

Superintendent of Spiritual Life—Mrs. W. R. Sellars.

Superintendent of Young People—Mrs. W. E. Wisseman.

Superintendent of Cradle Roll—Mrs. M. W. Hook.

Superintendent of Literature—Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell.

The Committee on Finance made the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We are very much encouraged with the Treasurer's Report, but knowing the American Board of which we, by representation are a part, are in dire need of funds to carry on the Missionary work. We recommend the following:

1. That a Missionary Society be organized in every church in the Conference.
2. That the District leaders with the aid of the pastors, organize these societies in their respective districts.
3. That our goal be \$4,500.00 for 1937 and that apportionments be made and raised not only in newly organized societies, but every society raise as much as possible above their apportionment.
4. We recommend to the Executive Board that we have a new year book, so all societies will be listed.
5. To receive honorable mention of two stars on the Treasurer's report all societies will have to increase their apportionments 16 per cent.
6. That the abiding missionary appeal be kept prominently before the church in order that our people may realize the need of gifts in prayer, in Bible study and in finance.
7. Your Committee commends the Woman's Missionary Societies for their zeal and enthusiasm, and urges them to pass on to the mark of high calling.

MRS. E. M. CARTER,

MRS. C. H. STEPHENSON,

Committee.

The Committee on Recommendations and Resolutions of Courtesy, submitted the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS OF COURTESY.

1. We recommend that the group assembled here today take to heart the messages given them in this program; that the programs of our various churches be so adapted and improved as to do more fully the Christian task we have set for ourselves; and that each organization represented here, take back to its home church, an authentic account of the inspiring program prepared by the Executive Committee.

2. We recommend that the committee responsible for today's program be extended our deepfelt gratitude for their originality and perseverance, for their thoughtfulness and thoroughness, that a vote of thanks be given the following: Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell for her untiring work as president of our larger organization and for having made the work of her office more efficient; to Mrs. John G. Truitt for her inspiring message and to the other speakers who have given us such inspirational addresses; to the Durham Congregational-Christian Church for extending today its hospitality and to the luncheon committee for its originality, and delicious luncheon.

3. We recommend that each church in our conferences of the entire Southern Convention be urged to found women's missionary societies; that they make use of the president's exchanges; and keep in close touch with denominational officials who will help them rekindle the fires of religion in all our communities.

4. We recommend that our churches take an active part in the work of the National Preaching Mission of the Federal Council of Churches to take place in Raleigh on November 26, 27, 28, and 29, of this year; that the ministers of our churches be especially urged to attend and that through their devotion to the work of this great cause, impel the laymen and laywomen to also attend that they may hear such eminent religionists as Dr. E. Stanley Jones, Miss Muriel Lester, and Ivan Lee Holt.

5. We recommend that each group in our larger fellowship think seriously about forming a Social Action Committee in our respective communities that the Master's work be translated from word to deed; that the social forces of our society may be more adequately understood; that the scourges of war, racial hatred and economic exploitation may be steadily diminished; and that our Christian faith may become a reality in action.

6. We recommend that each group in each community, so far as it is humanly possible, cooperate with the assistant in the activities of the Emergency Peace Campaign; that special programs be held at Armistice Day to signalize the grave danger of international war and to point out the horror and stupidity of war; and that local organizations, like the American Legion, U. D. C., D. A. R., etc., be urged to join hands in advocating disarmament, neutrality, and a will for peace.

7. We recommend that a hearty welcome be extended to the Congregational Churches for their cooperation since joining our fellowship and for having aided us in fulfilling and passing our financial goal.

8. We recommend that each Society in our entire organization take an active part in the celebration of the 25th anniversary which is to take place in February, 1937, and that a special offering be taken, in which each member be asked to give a silver dollar; each young person, 50c; and each child, 10c, to further the cause of the missionary work.

On motion, these reports were adopted.

Mrs. Harrell announced that Dr. H. Shelton Smith of Duke University would conduct the Day of Mission Study at Elon College in January.

Minutes were read and approved.

Conference adjourned to meet in October, 1937.

MRS. STANLEY C. HARRELL, *President*,
MRS. W. P. LAWRENCE, *Secretary*.

First Joint Meeting of the Boards of the Southern Convention of Congrega- tional and Christian Churches.

ELON COLLEGE, NORTH CAROLINA,
FEBRUARY 16, 1937.

By order of the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches, in session at Burlington, North Carolina, May 1, 1936, the Boards of that Convention met in their first annual joint session at Elon College, Elon College, N. C., at seven-thirty o'clock, February 16, 1937.

The meeting was called to order and presided over by Rev. Stanley C. Harrell, D. D., President of the Southern Convention. Rev. F. C. Lester was asked to act as secretary. Prayer was led by Rev. John G. Truitt, D. D. The purpose of the meeting was stated by President Harrell, and reports and discussion followed.

Mission Board.—Rev. H. S. Hardcastle made the report for the Mission Board. He stated that the Board held its annual session in September and had not been in session today. Information gleaned from the Minutes of the Board showed that the work is progressing; that most obligations of the Board have been paid and that the balance will likely be met within a year; that some new work is being undertaken by aiding rural pastorates; and that the work is limited only by the income. The report was discussed by Rev. Carl H. Voss, Dr. Harrell, Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, Dr. L. E. Smith, Dr. W. C. Wicker, and Mr. J. T. Kernodle.

Board of Christian Education.—Rev. Joe A. French, chairman, said that the Board of Christian Education was in session today, and asked the executive secretary, Rev. F. C. Lester, to tell of the work. Mr. Lester said that the Board has conducted or aided leadership training schools at Elon College, Norfolk, Suffolk, Wakefield, Newport News, Richmond, and Lynchburg; that between July 1, 1936, and February 1, 1937, the Board has distributed 235 Bibles and 293 New Testaments; that there is a lending library in the Board office at 505 South Main Street, Norfolk, Virginia, of some 500 books on religion and religious education; that an increasing amount of literature for special days is being loaned; that the young people in each Conference are organized into Youth Fellowships and are busy; that Student Summer Service workers are available for the coming summer; that the Elon Summer School of Leadership Training will be held June 21-26 next; that the Board is eager to put a worker in the field in co-operation with other Boards or as its own representative; and that the

Board is greatly in need of more funds than can be received by the present methods of finance.

Resolutions adopted by the Board today were read which expressed regret that the Mission Board had not considered the matter of a joint promotional agent as suggested by the Southern Convention, and asked the Executive Committee of the Convention to allow the Board of Christian Education to seek sufficient funds to put in the field a full-time worker.

The report was discussed by Revs. Carl H. Voss, W. T. Scott, J. H. Lightbourne, H. S. Hardcastle, and W. C. Wicker. The opinion prevailed that a promotional agent should soon be elected by all boards rather than be sent out by one board.

Elon College.—Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College, said that the Board of Trustees had been in session all day; that the college is an institution of the Church, owned and controlled by the Southern Convention; that the faculty is equal to the best; that there are as many students as can be accommodated in the dormitories; that a good spirit exists on the campus; that in four years indebtedness has been reduced from \$700,000 to \$154,000; that the budget is balanced to date; that it will be difficult to finish the school year unless the churches respond to the calls of the college; that the campaign for \$250,000 is still in progress and has promise of complete success; that sixty per cent of all money raised now goes to pay debts; and that the college needs and appreciates the cooperation of the churches in securing both money and students.

The report was discussed by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Dr. S. C. Harrell, and Mr. J. T. Kernodle.

The Christian Orphanage.—Mr. Charles D. Johnston, superintendent of the Christian Orphanage, presented Mr. Vitus R. Holt, one of the trustees who spoke as follows: The Orphanage is probably in the best shape of any institution within the Convention; there are no debts; we have one of the best superintendents to be found; ninety children are in the constant care of the church; many urgent calls must await a larger income; the continued cooperation of the churches is needed and will be appreciated; the Board of Trustees will be in session tomorrow.

Board of Publications.—The work of the Board of Publications was presented by its chairman, Rev. N. G. Newman, D. D., who said, in part, as follows: This is an unincorporated Board with no funds available; its job is to promote the publication of *The Christian Sun*, our Southern Church Paper that aids all the other Boards in securing patronage. Dr. Newman presented a series of resolutions concerning the publication of *The Sun* which were passed on to the Executive Committee of the Convention for action.

By request, the editor of *The Christian Sun* gave information concerning the present condition of the subscription list and the finances

of the paper. The reports were discussed by Dr. S. C. Harrell, Dr. L. E. Smith, and Dr. J. G. Truitt. The opinion prevailed that it is important for the paper to continue, and that a campaign should be launched to secure a subscription list of at least three thousand.

Board of Superannuation.—Rev. James H. Lightbourne presented the report for the Board of Superannuation. He said that there is an increasing demand upon the Board; that more ministers are calling for aid; that so far claims have been met in a fairly edequate measure; that unless the churches send in offerings received at Communion Services, there will not be enough money in hand to meet semi-annual grants in July; that the Board appreciates the cooperation of the churches; that the Board works through the denominational Board under the direction of Dr. Lewis T. Reid of New York; that the Christmas offerings were larger last time, and met a real need; and that the Church should care for the aged veterans of the Cross in the sunset time of life as well as their widows and orphans.

Woman's Mission Board.—Mrs. W. E. Wisseman responded to a call for information concerning the Woman's Mission Board. She said the Board held its annual meeting in Suffolk, Virginia, in January to plan the Silver Anniversary program which will be held in Suffolk on May 13, 1937, and suggested that at the next Convention, the Woman's Board be given the morning and evening of the second day. Mrs. W. H. Sellors and Dr. L. E. Smith discussed the report.

President Smith offered entertainment to all visitors.

The opinion prevailed that this first meeting had real value, and that such meetings should be continued.

The acting secretary was authorized to print the minutes of the meeting in *THE CHRISTIAN ANNUAL*.

The meeting adjourned with prayer by Rev. Jesse H. Dollar.

F. C. LESTER, *Acting Secretary*.

OUR FINANCIAL PLAN.

Since it seems to be difficult to understand the financial plan of our Southern Convention, the Editor of *The Christian Sun*, at the request of friends, dares to *try* to explain it.

The Southern Convention includes five Conferences in Virginia and the Carolinas. It needs money with which to operate. Hence the Convention Fund. Two-fifths of this fund is apportioned to the General Council to help pay its expenses. Subsidizing *The Christian Sun* takes most of the remainder of this fund. The Convention Fund is supposed to be \$5,000.00, and it is derived entirely from the Conference apportionments. Last year the amount received was less than \$3,000.00.

The Mission Board does the missionary work of the Convention. Approximately one-half of the money received goes to The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions to be used for foreign missions. The remainder is used within the Convention. The Mission Board receives funds from the Woman's Mission Board, from once-a-month offerings from Sunday Schools, a special offering at Easter, and a percentage of Conference Apportionments.

The Christian Orphanage is an institution belonging to the Convention for the care of children. It receives funds from a once-a-month offering from the Sunday Schools, a special offering at Thanksgiving, and individual gifts. Individual churches receive credit on their apportionments for offerings up to a certain amount.

Elon College is an institution of the Convention and is supported by fifth Sunday offerings from Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies, a percentage of Conference Apportionments, and individual gifts which may be solicited during January, February, July, August, September and October, and during the College Commencement.

The Board of Christian Education is an authorized board of the Convention, doing work in leadership training, religious education, and with the young people. This board receives funds from Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Conventions, a percentage of the Conference Apportionments, and it is permitted to solicit funds during July and August.

The Board of Superannuation is authorized by the Convention to care for needy ministers, their widows and orphans. This board receives funds from a Christmas Offering, church offerings at communion services, and a percentage of the Conference Apportionments.

A local church is expected to support the enterprises through its Sunday School, the Christian Endeavor, Missionary Societies, and the church itself.

The Sunday School gives monthly offerings to Missions and the Orphanage, fifth Sunday offerings to Elon College, and annual dues to the Sunday School Convention.

Missionary Societies give through the Woman's Board.

Christian Endeavor Societies pay dues to the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention, and may give to other enterprises.

The local church pays Conference Apportionments, makes a special offering for Missions at Easter, for the Orphanage at Thanksgiving, and for Superannuation at Christmas and communion services.

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Proceedings of the Fourth Biennial Session of the Southeast Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches

HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE FLORIDA CONFERENCE.

THE UNION CHURCH OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA
APRIL 20-22, 1937.

The fourth biennial session of the Southeast Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches and the fifty-fourth annual meeting of the Florida Congregational Christian Conference were held jointly at the Union Church, Jacksonville. The program was common to both bodies, but each had its separate business sessions.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

Rev. C. Arthur Lincoln of Tryon, N. C., President of the Southeast Convention, presided. President Leon E. Smith of Elon College, N. C., offered prayer. In the absence of Rev. George N. Edwards of Charleston, S. C., the minutes of the last biennial session of the Convention, held at Raleigh, N. C., were read by Rev. W. T. Scott of Jacksonville, and were adopted.

The President appointed a committee on Resolutions: Rev. Robert Lee House of Portsmouth, Va., Rev. R. Wiley Scott of Atlanta, Ga., Rev. Ruth Sergeant of Stearns, Ky.; also a committee on Nominations: Rev. F. C. Lester of Norfolk, Va., Rev. W. T. Scott of Jacksonville, Fla., Mrs. Fred P. Ensminger of Birmingham, Ala.

It was voted that for this meeting of the Convention the funds of the Convention be put into the hands of the treasurer of the Florida State Conference, and that the funds of the two bodies be jointly disbursed by him.

The business session of the Convention was then adjourned.

The joint bodies were welcomed by the pastor of the Jacksonville Church, Rev. Everett B. Leshner. Responses were made by Rev. Jas. S. Parker, moderator of the Florida Conference and by the President of the Convention.

Short addresses were made by appointed representatives of the several states, as follows: Rev. J. E. McCauley of Richmond, Va., Rev. W. M. Jay of Winston-Salem, N. C., Rev. Ruth Sergeant of Kentucky, Rev. James W. Davenport of Daisy, Tenn., Rev. R. Wiley Scott of Atlanta, Ga. On account of the lateness of the hour, the

address of Rev. Elisha A. King of Miami Beach, Fla., was reserved for the supper hour. In connection with these addresses those attending from the several states were asked to rise and be counted. The final score of attendance as shown by registration was as follows, Alabama 20, Florida 70 (exclusive of Jacksonville), Georgia 20, Kentucky 2, Massachusetts 3, Mississippi 1, New York 2, North Carolina 35, Ohio 1, Pennsylvania 1, South Carolina 3, Tennessee 12, Virginia 22, making 191. It was estimated that not less than 50 should be added as present from the Jacksonville Church, thus making 241. Subtracting the seven present from northern states, the total attendance for the Southeast appears as 234.

The Conference sermon given at 5:00 P. M. by Rev. John P. Jockinsen of St. Petersburg, Fla., was also the Convention sermon. His subject was "The Mission of Christ." He interpreted this to be first to bring good news about God. When this news of God reaches a soul that has never heard, it sometimes brings the response, "There must be a God like that. I have felt it though I never heard it." *Second*, His mission was to bring good news of man. He discovered that the deepest thing in man was angel, not devil. *Third*, His mission was to bring man into his heritage. Man can be trained to kill, or he may be transformed by the gospel of Christ into a new creature. If Luther Burbank could transform useless plants into fruitbearers, why should not God be able to transform you?

TUESDAY EVENING.

Supper was served in the assembly hall of the church to a company that filled every seat available. Rev. W. T. Scott acted as toastmaster and introduced Dr. E. A. King for his deferred address and introduced various representatives of the colleges and schools of the South.

The evening session was opened by Rev. James R. Clinton of Philadelphia, who conducted a brief devotional service. The choir offered a special anthem and an offering was taken for the expenses of the Conference and the Convention.

The evening program consisted of two addresses, the first by Rev. John G. Truitt, D. D., of Suffolk, Va., on the topic, "Jesus Began the Church." He said that Jesus changed the human landscape forever because He worked changes in human nature. He laid out a new high road through the country so that it can never be the same again. If through Him the sins of the world be taken away, civilization will indeed take up its bed and walk. The Church began when this Jesus began to be preached. When the Church was established a new era for humanity began. These high thoughts were an excellent introduction to the next address which seemed to present the actual consequences of the theses of the first.

Dean Vaughan Dabney, D. D., of Andover-Newton Theological Seminary spoke on "A Spiritual Church in a Pagan World." He spoke of the extreme tension between the church and the world in the early centuries of the church's history, followed by the increasing identification of the church with the world from the time of Constantine. Now it must be the church *in* the world, but not *of* it. The church must be supreme in its self-government, not subject to the state. It must have a spiritual nucleus of converted individuals. It cannot be satisfied with a *better* social order, but its goal is a redeemed social order. The power of the church is in its preachers who bring worshippers into touch with God. The church must be actively united in zeal for God, not frozen together in indifference.

Dr. Lincoln presided in the evening.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The day opened with a communion service at 8:30, impressively conducted by Rev. Frank Atkinson of West Palm Beach, Florida.

This session was devoted to our institutions in the South. It was opened by President C. Arthur Lincoln in the chair.

The work of the Christian Orphanage at Elon College, N. C., was interestingly presented by its superintendent, Mr. Chas. D. Johnston.

Rev. F. C. Lester presented the claims and scope of *The Christian Sun* under its new editor.

A survey of our Schools and Colleges was given by Rev. C. Rexford Raymond, D. D., of Southern Pines, N. C. Dr. Raymond, whose acquaintance with our educational programs in the South began at Berea College many years ago, gave many interesting facts concerning Rollins, Piedmont, Elon, Southern Union and the Atlanta Seminary Foundation at Nashville, Tenn.

President Judson L. Cross of Tougaloo, Miss., followed with an interesting paper on "Our Negro Schools and Colleges." He spoke of the educational work of the A. M. A., beginning in 1846 on the principles of Christian belief, democratic equality and the wrong of slavery. During this period they have had 80 schools but now carry on but 17. Some have been turned over to local authorities, some have been closed as no longer needed or for lack of funds. Elementary and preparatory training has given way to college grade schools with B rating. They set the standards for Negro schools. The literacy of the race has increased from 20 to 80 per cent. Colored students are urged not to think of their complexion as a bar to their progress unless their complexion is all they have to offer. The educated members of the race should have opportunity and freedom to function.

Rev. Wm. A. Keith of the Colleside Community Church at Nashville, Tennessee, spoke on "The Church in a College Community." He said the religion of the college student is indeed often a "religion of confusion," nothing is settled. The student may disparage religion because he is re-thinking everything he has inherited. The church needs to cultivate the college because 95% of the leaders of the future will come from the colleges. The college needs the church. Education itself is confused if it lacks high authority to coordinate its aims. The church stands not for knowledge only but for motivation. It makes for character. It gives meaning to pure science. The church stands for the community in the college. It can gather up the idealistic and socially minded. It can discuss questions not on the college curriculum. It is our task in the college church to make religion as intelligible as science and as appealing as art.

President L. E. Smith of Elon College continued the discussion under the title "The Objective of the Church Related School." He said, "The church knows no border lines in building up education. The state university is bounded by state lines. It is required of the church related school that it should do a good job of teaching. Good equipment is necessary, but the teaching is more important. Such a school needs a broad and inter-related curriculum. The individual student must be inspired to blaze a pathway into the future as well as to know the pathway of the past. The spiritual self needs training or it will not make its contribution develop the mental, the physical, and the spiritual so as to make a whole man, not a sceptic, not an athlete, not a fanatic. Christians are made not only by teaching the Bible but by the personality of those who teach." President Smith believes the church-originated college should remain a part of the church which founded it, supported it, and nourished it into maturity. Because it has size and wealth is no sufficient reason why the college should cut loose from the church that gave it being.

Following these papers a devotional service was conducted at 11:30 by Rev. Arthur W. Dycer, D. D., of Birmingham, Alabama.

Luncheons were served at neighboring churches. At the one for women talks were made by leaders of women's work in different states. At the one for men Superintendent E. C. Gillette introduced Rev. James R. Clinton lately of Philadelphia, now under appointment by the Home Boards for evangelistic work in our churches. He made a brief talk on the opportunities and need of such work at the present time.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

The afternoon session of the Convention opened at 2:00 P. M. with President C. Arthur Lincoln in the chair. The session on Social Problems was opened by Rev. Alfred W. Hurst of Chattanooga, Tennessee, on "The Church and Social Justice." Mr. Hurst dealt with the pronouncements of the denominations which are both positive and comprehensive, but observed that they had not found their way down to the rank and file. "Many people are equally horrified at hearing the Christian religion doubted and seeing it practiced." Parliamentary action has a good deal to do with changing society as regards our attitude toward great wrongs, but a high conception of God as a God of justice and righteousness must be carried into society. Ministers are here to speak the mind of God not merely to say what the congregation thinks you ought to say. The church is not only a judge of society but must change it by suffering with it.

The second address was by Professor Arthur Raper of Agnes Scott College who spoke on "Rural Church Problems." He gave some first hand information regarding soil exhaustion and its results which bear very directly on the human problem of maintaining the church and what it stands for in the country. Our first responsibility now is to conserve and restore the soil, our second to preserve and restore human resources—restore faith and hope to the people.

The last address of the afternoon was by Rev. Trevor Mordecai of New Smyrna, Florida. "The Mission of the Church in the Present Age."

Simultaneously with this session the Southeast Youth Fellowship met in a room below under the chairmanship of their President. About twenty-five were present. It was voted after considerable discussion to change the name to the "Pilgrim Fellowship of the Southeast." The evening meal was under the auspices of the Fellowship and was ably presided over by Rev. Carl H. Voss of Raleigh, North Carolina. Several very entertaining after-supper speeches were given.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

At the evening session at 8:00 o'clock several items of business of the Convention were disposed of. The Nominating Committee reported as follows: Officers for the next biennium—President, Rev. J. G. Truitt of Virginia; Vice-President, Rev. Victor B. Chicoine of Florida; Secretary-Treasurer, Rev. Alfred W. Hurst of Tennessee. For Executive Committee, the above officers and Rev. R. Wiley Scott of Georgia and Prof. A. R. Van Cleave of Alabama. For Program Committee, the President, the pastor of the entertaining church and Rev. Carl H. Voss. This report was accepted and the officers duly elected.

It was moved by Rev. F. C. Lester and voted by the Convention that the presiding officers of the state bodies of the Southeast Convention and the President of the Southern Convention be considered active members of the Advisory Board for the next biennium.

An invitation was received from Rev. H. S. Hardcastle in the name of the Christian Temple of Norfolk, Virginia, inviting the Convention to meet with that church two years hence. It was voted to accept this invitation.

It was voted to empower the secretary to complete the minutes at the close of the Convention.

On account of the similarity of name to the Southern Convention it was moved to change the name of this Convention to Southeast Convocation. After a brief discussion it was moved to lay this motion on the table and it was so voted. Rev. James E. Parker presided. The business meeting adjourned.

The Secretary of the Pilgrim Fellowship of the Southeast, Miss Emily Carleton, of Winter Park, Florida, was introduced. There was special music by the choir of the church and an offering for Conference and Convention expenses. Total offerings \$56.80.

Dr. Arthur Raper then gave his second address entitled "Racial Inter-dependence," as Research Secretary of the Commission on Interracial Cooperation. He made the point that a caste system was of economic origin, even in India, where it has become a part of the religion. The racial differences are not so important as the fact that one group can use another for economic profit.

Under the present conditions in the south economic conditions are working out to the detriment of the white race. From 1920 to 1935 in Georgia there has been an increase of 300,000 white farmers and a decrease of 70,000 Negro farmers, meaning for the most part that white families have taken the same homes, the same type of living, the same small farms that the Negroes had. This means a lower scale of living for the white people. His contention was that it is safer to help the Negro to rise than for the white race itself to become depressed holding him down. How can we pray "Our Father . . . Thy kingdom come on earth" if we refuse to practice brotherhood? To sit smug and complacent is the best way to bury a religion which might be dynamic.

At the close of this address the Resolutions Committee brought in the following resolutions which were duly adopted:

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.

1. "Be it resolved that we record our indebtedness to the Executive and Program Committees for their preparation in advance for this Convention. In preparing this mental and spiritual menu they truly gave us a balanced diet.

2. We commend the pastor and good people of the Union Church for their gracious invitation and efficient provision of entertainment and the courtesies of the Florida State Conference in providing for this joint session.

3. We are further indebted to the Jacksonville Hotels for special courtesies

extended to the Convention speakers and to filling stations providing free parking for cars.

4. We are fortunate in having such excellent speakers who have brought clarifying messages on the various phases of our church message and program.

5. Finally we rejoice in this bi-ennial privilege of meeting together as representatives of the Southeast."

ROBERT LEE HOUSE,
R. WILEY SCOTT,
RUTH F. SARGEANT,

Committee.

The second address of the evening session was given by Rev. Wm. F. Frazier, D. D., Executive Vice-President of the Board of Home Missions, from the home office in New York City. His topic was "The Christian Dye." Dr. Frazier explained his use of the word dye as coming from the use of the term in the classic period of Roman Literature as equivalent to a new color, a marked change in a man which made him over. The Christian religion must change our front to the world. If we have a new religion we must both speak of it and practice it. One who takes the Christian dye has new hope in God. He is delivered from a sense of moral chaos to secure reliance on the providence of God. If there were no great central resources man would be doomed. We can believe that God is leading His people on. Eternal Love cannot be shattered.

THURSDAY MORNING.

This session opened with devotions conducted by Rev. Victor B. Chicoine of Winter Park at 9:00 o'clock. Dr. Clinton led the singing.

A message sent by Secretary J. O. Atkinson, D. D., of Elon College, veteran missionary leader of the Christian Church, read by Dr. S. C. Harrell, was listened to with deep attention. It was a sketch of the true missionary spirit as shown in the Apostle Paul. He mentioned three outstanding characteristics: his constant confession or proclamation of Christ, his spirit of adventure for his Lord, his endurance of hardship. Our lives are made sweet and triumphant not by stirred emotions but by deep experience of the abundant life of Christ.

A second address was given by Dr. Frazier in which he discussed the question, "Is the period of Church Extension over?" The western frontier is said to have disappeared but when people are on the move there is always need to follow them. Cities in the East are growing fast. Extension is not over unless the Church is through with progress and growth. In church building we cannot be said to have overbuilt when we have lost only five churches by foreclosure during the entire depression. Our work is part of a world wide fellowship. We have to do our share in making our great organization an effective and vital force in the on-going kingdom of God.

The Convention at 9:45 divided into three parts. The annual meeting of the Federation of the Congregational-Christian Women of

Florida, met under the leadership of Mrs. Robert G. Williams, President. The laymen met under the chairmanship of Mr. Robert G. Williams, with Mr. John T. Kernodle and Mr. Charles S. Bates speaking. The ministers met for a seminar on "Re-thinking the Ministry" conducted by Dean Vaughan Dabney of Massachusetts.

A letter was received from Miss Emily Carleton, Secretary of the Pilgrim Fellowship of the Southeast, conveying the request from the Fellowship that the Southeast Convention consider the holding of its meetings in June (alternating with the General Council) as a time much more advantageous for the youth group than in April.

The closing address of the Convention was given at 11:30 A. M. by Rev. Stanley C. Harrell, D. D., of Durham, North Carolina, on the subject: "A Spiritual Dynamic for All of Life."

Dr. Harrell spoke of the most dangerous opposition which the church met as that which came from those connected with it, disappointed because the church had not come to grips with vital conditions of life; that is, people who feel that in a crisis the church has not helped them. We discover that life is too full, too tremendous for us. Something beyond ourselves must be added, life must be undergirded with religion.

The Gospel assumes that there is an eternal God and that life is primarily spiritual. Unless the Spirit of God is revealed through us there is no hope of the problems of life being solved by us. Social plans, however good, will not be solutions of our problems unless there are enough Christ-empowered persons to carry them out.

The Convention adjourned at noon for two years.

Quite a number of the delegates embraced the opportunity to drive to St. Augustine in the afternoon.

GEORGE N. EDWARDS,
Secretary of the Convention.

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THE UNION OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA,
APRIL 20-22, 1937.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

At 3:00 o'clock the State Conference was called to order by Rev. James E. Parker of New Port Richey, Moderator.

The opening prayer was offered by Rev. Wm. T. Scott, Pastor-at-Large, of Jacksonville.

The following business was transacted:

Upon a motion and seconded it was voted that the registration list of pastors and delegates be accepted as a roll of the pastors and delegates to the Conference.

Rev. R. Esten Newton of Jupiter was elected Scribe.

It was voted that the visiting pastors, delegates, college presidents and members of Southeastern Convention be seated as corresponding members at the Conference, with the privileges of the floor.

The mimeographed minutes of last year were presented by the Registrar and adopted by vote of the Conference.

Mimeographed copies of the reports of the officers and departments of the State Conference were presented for distribution by Dr. Gillette.

Upon recommendation of the Board of Directors the Per Capita dues for 1937 were fixed at twelve cents by vote of the Conference.

It was also recommended by the Board of Directors and voted by the Conference that an appropriation of \$200 be allowed for clerical expenses of the Conference to the Superintendent's office.

It was moved and seconded that if agreeable to the Southeastern Convention, the offerings be turned over to the treasurer of the Conference and the joint expenses of the assembly be paid therefrom. It was so voted.

The plan for entertaining visitors and delegates was explained by Dr. Gillette.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Resolutions—Rev. A. Craig Bowdish, North Miami, Mrs. J. P. Jockinsen, St. Petersburg; Rev. Frank Atkinson, West Palm Beach.

Nominations—Rev. Walter Metcalf, Tampa; Mrs. Lauretta Gaede, Lake Worth; Rev. R. E. Newton, Jupiter. In the absence of Mr. Metcalf, Rev. J. B. Root of Sanford was appointed.

The meeting adjourned for the business session of the Southeast Convention.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

At 1:30 o'clock the Conference reconvened for business. The Nominating Committee submitted its report as follows:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

Conference Director for two years, nominated by Southeast Coast Association, Rev. Frank Atkinson; Florida South Association for two years, Rev. John P. Jockinsen; East Coast Association for two years, Rev. Kerrison Juniper, Ormond.

Director at Large, Rev. Victor B. Chicoine, Winter Park.

Director from Women's Federation for two years, Mrs. H. C. James, Orange City.

Ex-officio member for one year, Mrs. Robert G. Williams.

Conference Preacher for 1938, Rev. Frank Atkinson.

Alternate, Rev. Everett B. Leshner.

Nominating Committee each for two years: Rev. Walter Metcalf, Rev. J. P. Jockinsen.

Ministerial Qualifications Committee, Dr. A. M. Brodie, Mt. Dora, for three years.

Business Committee: Member for two years, Dr. C. A. Vincent, Miami; for one year, Dr. H. J. Condit, Orange City.

All the above officers and committees were duly elected.

Mr. J. H. Winchester of St. Petersburg was nominated from the floor and elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

Near the close of the session on Thursday morning the Moderator introduced Mr. J. H. Winchester, Moderator-elect, who made a brief acknowledgement of his election and introduction.

The offerings taken at the Conference were—for Conference and Convention expenses \$56.80; for Ministerial Relief, \$22.50.

The following resolution was presented from the floor and passed separately from the other resolutions:

Whereas, Mrs. Charles H. Beale, died of pneumonia at Worcester, Massachusetts last Friday, on April 16, be it

Resolved, that the scribe extend the deepest sympathy of this Florida Conference and Southeastern Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches to Dr. Charles H. Beale in this hour of his deepest bereavement.

By vote of the Conference and Convention, April 22, 1937, the Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Be it resolved that we, as The Florida Congregational-Christian Conference, keenly rejoice that the Christians and the Congregationalists can thus gather as we have in the spirit of Christian brotherhood and may more fully understand the essential agreement in faith and government which has for many years been very strong in each group. We are all greatly interested in a more perfect co-operation which shall strengthen our spirit of brotherhood and add much to our united service in and for the Kingdom.

Be it resolved that we gratefully recognize the splendid spirit of the Jacksonville Union Congregational Church which so hospitably has opened its doors and also has been such a delightful host to the many delegates and officers of the two bodies.

Be it resolved that we most gratefully thank the various officials for their presence in our midst and the helpful inspiration they have brought in helping to solve our problems, quickening our faith and increasing the spirit of fraternity and consecration.

Be it resolved that we keenly rejoice that the numerous educational institutions which the past devotion and forward vision have brought forth are doing splendid work in helping the rising generation to develop into their best Christian manhood and womanhood.

A. CRAIGE BOWDISH, *Chairman*,
MRS. J. T. JOCKINSEN,
REV. FRANK ATKINSON,
Committee.

The Conference adjourned.

R. ESTEN NEWTON,
Scribe.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE TREASURER.
APRIL 18, 1936 - APRIL 16, 1937.

APRIL 18, 1936—		RECEIPTS.	
Balance	\$ 378.86	North Miami	\$ 11.76
Crystal Springs	1.68	Sanford	11.76
Avon Park	12.96	State Conf. collection	17.12
Coconut Grove	13.44	West Palm Beach	14.92
Key West	19.68	Offering Ministerial Relief ..	31.78
Miami	12.00		
Miami Beach	31.32		\$ 557.28
APRIL 16, 1937—			
Avon Park	\$ 11.64	Miami Beach	\$ 31.56
Coconut Grove	13.32	New Port Richey	7.20
Coral Gables	21.96	New Smyrna	7.92
Crystal Springs	1.92	North Miami	7.92
Daytona Beach	33.00	Orange City	6.72
Fort Myers	7.68	Ormond	10.32
Interlachen	3.84	Palm City	4.56
Jacksonville	31.92	Pomona	4.56
Jupiter	5.88	St. Petersburg	56.40
Key West	19.68	Tampa	20.68
Lake Helen	13.44	Tangerine	1.78
Lake Worth	40.56	Tavares	7.56
Melbourne	16.32	Winter Park	30.24
Miami	12.00	Sanford	13.08
Holly Hill	4.00	Conference Offerings	79.30
Mount Dora	10.20	Entertainment fund balance ..	3.90
			\$1,100.34

EXPENDITURES.

On Pilgrim Fellowship Fund	\$ 10.65
Victor B. Chicoine	5.00
General Council (1936)	294.98
Ministerial Relief	31.78
Conference Expense	7.25
Office Expense	150.00
Exchange .....	.50
Programs—1937 Conference	10.50
General Council (1937)	293.86
Conference Expense	60.74
Ministerial Relief	22.50
Exchange Charge .....	.20
Balance 7/30/37	207.38

\$1,100.34

Proceedings of Eighty-Ninth Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference.

MT. OLIVET (R) CHRISTIAN CHURCH, AUGUST 4, 5, 1937.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Eighty-Ninth Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference met and was called to order at 10 o'clock, by the President, Rev. R. L. Williamson.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. F. E. Hyde of Sanford, North Carolina.

ENROLLMENT.

Ordained Ministers—R. L. Williamson, W. B. Fuller, W. J. Andes.
Chairmen of Standing Committees—R. L. Williamson, W. C. Wampler, Thelma Morris, W. J. Andes, Irene Hensley, Norman Morris.
Conference Officers—R. L. Williamson, J. C. Bradford, W. J. Andes, Samuel Earman, Norman Morris, R. O. Rothgeb, Minnie Dofflemyer.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—Mrs. M. J. Dean, W. M. Nieswander.
Bethel—Hazel Davis, Margie Alger, Mrs. Nannie Monger.
Bethlehem—R. C. Myers, Miss Mamie Summers.
Beulah—Mrs. Ernest Sikes, Mrs. Joe Billheimer.
Christian Chapel—Not Represented.
Concord—Mrs. V. T. Huffman.
Dry Run—Roderick Burke, Mrs. Roy Rinker.
East Liberty—Not Represented.
High Point—Not Represented.
Island Ford—Walter Staton.
Joppa—Louise Bowman, Susie Duncan.
Leakesville—O. C. Housden, Mrs. Lena Rothgeb, B. F. McDaniel.
Linville—Mrs. Samuel Earman, Mrs. Mary Davis.
Mayland—Mrs. Fannie May Layman, Miss Minnie Showalter.
Mt. Lebanon—Not Represented.
Mt. Olivet (G.)—John Marshall, Mrs. Ella Morris, Eathel Vernon.
Mt. Olivet (R.)—Laura Lam, Hilda Monger.
New Hope—E. M. Spitzer, Frank Liskey.
Newport—Mabel Higgs, T. Z. Alger, Mrs. Julia Fultz.
Palmyra—Hilda Rush, Clarence Rush.
St. Peters—Mrs. Loring Synder, Mrs. Cora Fultz.
Timber Mountain—Not Represented.

Timber Ridge—Mrs. Minnie Fox, Ray Brill, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Larrick.

Whistler's Chapel—Nina Green, Dale Good.

Winchester—Mrs. Edgar A. Nelson, Mrs. Clara Loy, Mrs. Rosa Curling, Mrs. K. H. Sale.

Wood's Chapel—Ray Stroop, M. E. Kagey, Mrs. J. A. Kagey.

On motion, the following were invited to seats as deliberative members: F. C. Lester, F. E. Hyde, Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Coulter, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Whitten, C. D. Johnston.

Welcome address by B. C. Shifflett. Response by Rev. F. C. Lester, of Norfolk, Virginia.

REPORT OF PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

We, your committee, prepared programs for the Conference at a cost of \$1.00 for material.

R. L. WILLIAMSON,
W. J. ANDES,

Committee.

Adopted with the proviso that the president be empowered to make such changes as may be necessary at any time.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, your Executive Committee, report that at a joint meeting of the Home Missions Committee and the Executive Committee held October 12, 1936, we confirmed the appointment of Committees as follows: Executive Committee—R. L. Williamson, R. R. Hosaflook, and W. J. Andes; Home Missions Committee—W. C. Wampler, R. C. Myers, J. Warner Stearn, and E. A. Hillyard.

We voted to welcome Rev and Mrs. R. D. Coulter of Ridgeway, Tennessee, into the Conference.

We voted to appropriate \$45.00 from the Home Mission Fund to each of the following nine churches: Beulah, Whistler's Chapel, Palmyra, Wood's Chapel, Concord, Island Ford, Mt. Lebanon, St. Peter's and Joppa—same to be paid in quarterly installments in October, January, April and July, and on condition that these churches be given regular services, with the proviso that the appropriation to St. Peter's be given Rev. Roy Coulter for the year whether services be held at St. Peter's or not, and also on the condition that these churches be served by pastors approved by the Executive and Home Mission Committees.

We voted to sell the East Liberty Church with the President of the Conference, Rev. R. L. Williamson, be given the power to sell the church at whatever price he thinks advisable.

Adjournment.

R. L. WILLIAMSON,
R. R. HOSAFLOOK,
W. J. ANDES,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Believing that there is a greater need now of clean wholesome literature, than ever before, we, as Christians, who see this need must read more ourselves and try to get others to read that which is uplifting to our souls. We must try to get our Church members to realize how important it is to our lives to take a part of their time and devote it to studying the Bible each day. Then it will enrich our lives and it will grow to be very dear to our hearts as time passes on. For out of that Book we learn how to live. When we have learned to

appreciate good religious literature we will welcome our religious magazines into our homes as much as we do our daily newspapers. We believe that there has been an increase of subscriptions to *The Christian Sun*. This year, please keep the good work going. In the light of these facts, we wish to recommend the following:

1. That we devote a few minutes of our time each day in careful reading and meditation upon some passage of Scripture.
2. That we give our whole-hearted support to *The Christian Sun*, that it may continue to grow and give us the best reading matter.
3. That we use our own denominational Sunday School literature.
4. That we strive to have a Church School Library in every Church.
5. That we use the *Pilgrim Highroad* and the *Christian Endeavor World* for use in Young People's work, and the *Missionary Herald* in our homes and Missionary work.

IRENE HENSLEY,
MRS. SAMUEL EARMAN,
MAMIE SUMMERS,
J. A. KAGEY,

Committee.

Adopted.

Appointment of Press Committee: Mrs. B. F. Frank, Alma Boyce, Mrs. K. H. Sale, Rev. F. C. Lester, Winonah Morris.

Annual Sermon was delivered by Rev. R. A. Whitten.

Adjournment for lunch.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:30 P. M. by the President, R. L. Williamson.

Devotional Services were conducted by Rev. F. E. Hyde.

Rev. R. A. Whitten was added to the Committee on Education.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE MISSION SECRETARY.

We have reached another milestone on our pilgrimage journey, and since we cannot again pass this way, let us pause for a moment and reflect upon the way by which we have come. As it is difficult to measure our spiritual attainments, we will only consider our financial attainments, in comparison with last year's record.

Last Conference year all of the churches of this Conference gave to both Home Missions and Foreign Missions, the sum of \$87.73 and the Sunday schools gave \$287.77, making a total of \$375.50. This Conference year the Churches gave to Missions, both Home and Foreign, \$119.22 and the Sunday schools gave \$318.63, making a total of \$437.85. We, therefore, have a gain of \$62.35 over last Conference Year, which is encouraging. But we should not compliment ourselves too highly on this gain for this is such a small sum for a membership of 2,452 that we should rather hide our faces in shame. The Missionary Societies of the Conference raised \$333.11. The total raised for Missions by the Conference would be \$770.96. Let us give this matter serious consideration and when we reach the end of another Conference year, our records will show our faith by our works.

R. O. ROTHGEB,
Conference Mission Secretary.

Adopted.

Address—"The Message of Missions For Our Day"—written by Dr. J. O. Atkinson and delivered by Rev. R. D. Coulter.

REPORT OF STEWARDSHIP SECRETARY.

Paul said: "It is required in stewards to be found faithful." A Christian Steward gives his time, talent, money, body and soul to God. If all Christians would acknowledge the power of God, the church would not have the struggle as it now faces. Every quality of our life would be reconsecrated to God.

The Lord gave. Where did he ever withhold? All that we have was given to us by the Lord. Yet, we want to cling to it all for ourselves. God will never bless a man who retains for himself that which belongs to Him, neither will He bless abundantly the one who serves Him with a half-heart, and no one has ever lost by serving Him with a whole heart.

Be it resolved:

1. That a new stress be placed upon Tithing.
2. That we, as good Christian Stewards, use the opportunities to better serve God.
3. That we seek anew to present our bodies as living sacrifices holy and acceptable unto God.

MINNIE DOFFLMYER,
Stewardship Secretary.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

Evangelism is the bearing of the Good News to those who do not know about it. It is the channel through which the Holy Spirit gives Salvation to the man who is in bondage to sin. The Holy Spirit works through Human hearts and its effective works are deadened and lessened when the human being fails to live for Christ, with Christ and unto Christ. Thus, through the Church does the Holy Spirit intend to win the world. It appears impossible to accomplish such a vast task. More impossible does it seem when one studies the churches in this local Conference. Since 1927, the Valley Christian Conference has lost approximately 200 members. By the 1936 Conference Roll we had 313 more members than in 1916, while in 1927 we had 485 more members than in 1916. Since 1927 we have been decreasing rather than increasing.

Let the Church revitalize itself with the Spirit of Christ and add men and women to the kingdom.

Therefore, be it resolved that:

1. The pastors of the Conference report to the Chairman of the Evangelism Committee each quarter the number of people won to Christ in their respective field.
2. The Church attempt to make the Community more God-conscious.
3. The forming of a laity group within the church whose business it will be to form a "Prospective List" of new members. This list to be given to the Pastor.

W. J. ANDES,
WINONAH MORRIS,
W. B. FULLER,
Committee.

Discussion on the Report was led by Rev. F. C. Lester.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WOMAN'S BOARD.

The Woman's Board is still attempting to carry on its great work, that of Missions. Although we have not made any great achievements, we have neither made any great failures. With the passing of the depression the financial status of individuals seems to be better. And along with better finances we have the danger of materialism entering into our churches. It becomes our solemn duty to keep the spiritual life of our churches strengthened and growing and to render a little part to the salvation of the world. The Home light must shine brilliantly at home, before it can shine far into the world. Because of this we feel our responsibility and debtorship more keenly than perhaps others in the

church. We need the cooperation of the entire church to do an enlarged and more comprehensive work for our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ.

The tenth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Conference was held at Newport Church, July 29, 1937. Mrs. K. H. Sale presided with a distinctive manner.

From the Treasurer's report we find the following: Women's Societies, \$240.60; Young People's Societies, \$43.11; Cradle Rolls, \$9.70; Rallies, Special Gifts, and Silver Anniversary Offerings, \$71.05; Conference Offering and carried over from last year, \$53.05. Total, \$417.51.

There are three Cradle Rolls with 40 babies on Roll; Young People's Societies with 46 members; 7 Women's Societies with 150 members.

Rallies were held in each of the four districts, December 1-4, 1936, with Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, of Greensboro, North Carolina, as guest speaker.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. K. H. Sale, president; Mrs. A. W. Andes, vice-president; Mrs. B. F. Frank, secretary; Miss Verdie Showalter, treasurer; Mrs. John Miller, Cradle Roll Superintendent; Helen Showalter, Young People's Superintendent; Mrs. E. L. Depoy, Women's Superintendent; Minnie Dofflemyer, Literature Superintendent; Charlotte Hillyard, Spiritual Life Superintendent.

MRS. A. W. ANDES,
MRS. FANNIE M. LAYMAN,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE.

Back of all changes—political, economic, social, religious—of the world, we have changes in social attitudes and ideals. We feel that it is the duty of the church to be alert and progressive enough in order to direct the trends of thought and conduct in these social reforms.

We recommend:

1. That the churches undertake to develop a recreation program that will meet the needs of the Young People of the Community.
2. That we endorse the efforts of all peace agencies that seek to overthrow war; that the church people be on guard concerning propaganda for war.
3. That we affirm our faith in the sanctity of marriage and the home.
4. That strong sentiment be voiced against all commercial enterprises in the community that do not offer good physical, moral and social benefits to our people.
5. That every person who professes to be a Christian live a Christ-like life before those about them.

NORMAN MORRIS,
MINNIE DOFFLEMYER,
Committee.

Adopted.

No report was received from the Committee on Christian Union.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

The work of a Director of Religious Education for this Conference should be a vital one. In fact its value can be as great and helpful as any other work. But as Church work goes, we do not sacrifice the time or money necessary to do the work. The Conference is unable to pay a full-time or part-time worker in this field and, therefore, much valuable work is incomplete.

Through cooperation of Board of Christian Education at Norfolk and Church Extension Board, who send us Student Summer Service workers, Conference pastors and local helpers, we are able to report this work done in the following Churches.

Bible Schools have been held at Antioch, Bethel, Concord, Leakesville, Newport, Mt. Olivet (R) and Mt. Olivet (G). Other schools to be held this summer are to be at Linville, Bethlehem and Palmyra.

There were 15 young people at the Elon Leadership Training School in June: 3 from Antioch, 2 from Bethel, 2 from Leakesville, 2 from Newport, 1 from Mt. Olivet (R), and 5 from Mt. Olivet (G).

We offer our thanks to those who took part in the valuable work.

Realizing the increasing problem of the church has in combating the demoralizing forces of the world that draw our people from the church and that something must be done, we submit the following:

1. A Bible school in every community, cooperating, where possible, with other denominations.

2. At least one representative from each church attending the Elon Leadership Training School.

3. Leadership Training Schools for Sunday school officers and teachers. Several experimental schools to be held and the results to be studied at next conference session.

4. A serious study of church grouping so that ministers may better serve as pastors and preachers.

A. A. DOFFLEMYER,
Director of Religious Education.

Adopted.

On motion, Miss Irene Cotton and Mrs. W. B. Williams were invited to seats as deliberative members of the Conference.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Our Sunday schools and Christian Endeavor Societies have a great and important work to do. To do this task successfully it is necessary that we have consecrated workers. We should have those in this work who want to see the kingdom of God go forward and His teachings reach all mankind.

The message and teachings of our Sunday schools and Christian Endeavor Societies is one that no other organization has to give to the people. We point the way to an everlasting life and a more abundant life while here on this earth.

To help do this we hope all of our workers in our churches will avail themselves of every opportunity to spread the glad tidings that we have a Saviour who is a real help to every young person and a comfort to those who are old.

ROY A. LARRICK,
E. F. SHOWALTER,
ANNA LOU SHOWALTER,
Committee.

Adopted.

Moved and Carried that the President appoint a Committee to plan for the Centennial Conference Program in 1938. The President appointed the following: Mrs. B. F. Frank (Chairman), R. Roy Hosaflook, and J. C. Bradford.

The President appointed W. B. Burke and E. A. Hillyard to serve on the Nominating Committee. The Conference elected E. F. Showalter, R. C. Myers and W. A. Crawford to serve on this Committee.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Vesper Service was held on the Church Lawn with Miss Hazel Davis conducting the service.

The Evening program was in charge of the Youth Fellowship.

Address by Rev. F. C. Lester.

Installation of New Youth Fellowship Officers—Miss Irene Cotton leading the service.

Adjourned.

Social Hour conducted by Mrs. W. B. Williams.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9 A. M. by the President, Rev. R. L. Williamson.

Devotional Services were conducted by Rev. F. C. Lester.

Appointment of Special Committees: Committee on Place of Next Meeting, E. M. Spitzer, John Marshall, T. Z. Alger.

Resolutions Committee—Mrs. J. E. Bryant, Mabel Higgs and Mamie Summers.

On motion, Rev. F. E. Allison was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

PARTIAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

We, your Committee on Education, make a partial report at this time recommending that Rev. Roy D. Coulter and Rev. R. A. Whitten be accepted into full membership of the Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference pending reception of their letters of transfer from the North Carolina and Virginia Conference and from Eastern Virginia Conference, respectively.

R. L. WILLIAMSON,

W. J. ANDES,

Committee.

Adopted.

Address—"The Christian Orphanage and Its Mission"—C. D. Johnston, Superintendent of the Christian Orphanage.

An offering was taken for the Orphanage which amounted to \$21.31.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Our Lord said: "After that the Holy Ghost is come upon you, ye shall be witnesses unto me in Jerusalem . . . unto the utmost parts of the earth." This is Foreign Missions.

We may carry out the Lord's Command by our prayers, money, and having Missionaries in foreign fields. Therefore, your committee recommends the following:

1. In our private devotions, as well as our prayers at church, that we remember the cause of foreign missions.

2. That each church send an Easter Offering to Missions.

3. That all our Sunday schools take a monthly missionary offering and on that Sunday have a missionary program.

4. That the cent-a-meal plan of contributing to Missions be given a chance to prove its value in the homes of our people in deepening the spiritual life, increasing the number of givers, and enlarging the sum total of Missionary giving.

THELMA MORRIS,

E. LENA ROTHGEB,

Committee.

Address—"Christ or Chaos"—prepared by Dr. J. O. Atkinson and delivered by Rev. R. D. Coulter.

Report of Foreign Mission Committee was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

It is the business of this Conference to seek and to save that which is lost within its borders as well as elsewhere.

Not only does the salvation of the church depend upon the proper and economical expenditure of the funds given it and the evangelistic efforts of the church but the very life of the church itself is at stake. Whenever Christianity ceases to use its best efforts along these lines, it ceases to be Christianity. Just how to best accomplish this end is what this Conference should do today.

We, therefore, recommend:

1. That a Committee be appointed for the purpose of grouping our Conference into pastorates so as to save time and expense for our pastors and give more time for actual contacting the people in his pastorate and this committee is to report to the first session of Conference.

2. That an evangelist be invited to come into our Conference and hold Evangelistic meetings.

W. C. WAMPLER,
E. A. HILLYARD,
R. C. MYERS,

Committee.

Moved and carried that the Report be considered by items.

Address—"Echoes From the Rural Church Institute Held at Duke University in June"—Rev. R. D. Coulter.

"Address—"The Rural Church and Its Task"—Rev. F. E. Hyde.

The first item of the Home Mission Committee's Report was tabled until after lunch.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:30 P. M. by the President, R. L. Williamson.

Devotional Services were conducted by Rev. F. C. Lester.

The first item of the Report of the Committee on Home Missions was adopted by a unanimous showing of hands.

The second item of the Report of the Home Mission's Committee was tabled.

The Report was adopted as a whole with the above change.

Motion was made and carried that a season of Prayer be had for Dr. L. E. Smith and Dr. M. L. Weekley. Rev. R. D. Coulter led the prayer.

Motion was made and carried that the Conference adjourn for the meeting of the Conference Missionary Association.

CONFERENCE MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

The Conference Missionary Association was called to order by the President, Rev. Wm. J. Andes. The Roll was called.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The following membership fees have been received: Rev. W. J. Andes, \$5; Mrs. Barbara Andes, \$2.50; Antioch Church, \$5; Linville Church, \$5; Missionary Society of Linville, \$5; Women's Bible Class of Antioch, \$2.50; Women's Bible Class of Linville, \$2.50; Mary Hinton, \$2.50; New Hope Church, \$5;

R. L. Williamson, \$5; R. R. Hosaflook, \$5; Mrs. R. R. Hosaflook, \$2.50; Mary Pickering, \$5; Bethlehem Church, \$5; Verdie Showalter, \$2.50; Minnie Showalter, \$2.50; Olive Showalter, \$2.50; G. W. Rothgeb ('36 and '37), \$10; Samuel Earman, \$5; Loy Hook, \$5; Win One Bible Class, Winchester, \$5. Total amount received, \$90.00.

The following new members were added to the Roll: Rev. R. A. Whitten, Mamie Summers, Mrs. J. E. Bryant, W. A. Crawford, Rev. R. D. Coulter, Mrs. S. A. Jenkins.

On motion the treasurer was authorized to turn money on hand over to the Conference Treasurer for the Home Mission Fund.

Moved and carried that the same officers be retained for the ensuing year.

On motion the association adjourned.

W. J. ANDES
President

MINNIE DOFFLEMYER
Secretary-Treasurer

Conference in session again.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Education is an ever challenging and imperative appeal to the human mind. Its necessity dogs the footsteps of every ambitious person. A thousand limitations fetter and embarrass our lives. The glory of the human race has been its long and ceaseless struggle to transcend its conscious limitations and enter new worlds of thought, power and experience.

Education has always been the process of emancipation. It enlarges man's outlook upon life, multiplies his capacity for observation and experimentation, and turns his mind into new fields of activity. Education enlarges the whole personality of man and makes him an infinitely more significant being.

But the kind of education we have in mind is not the mastery of the highly developed technique of special fields, as useful of that particular department of knowledge might be; but the education that stresses the cultural values of life that bring him into appreciation and living fellowship with the great creative souls who have given us our poetry, music, history, schools, churches and governments—who have been the creators and conservators of the highest values of life.

Now the conviction daily grows on us, not for any sentimental or theoretical reason, but by watching the world in its every day activities, that all creative knowledge must have its roots in the sub-soil of spiritual reality; it must be fertilized by the great spiritual passions of the soul. No amount of mere factual knowledge will ever save the world unless the cultural and eternal values of religion are seen in clear perspective. It is the mission of religion to teach this overshadowing truth and to make it a living and redeeming reality in life.

To this end the Christian College will always favor a central place in our educational system. Let it not be afraid to hold passionately and boldly the Christian conception of life and to aver the necessity of its emphasis.

The Committee recommends that Rev. F. E. Allison, on letter of good standing in and transfer from the Rays Hill and Southern Pennsylvania Christian Conference be admitted into full membership of the Conference, the Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference.

M. L. WEEKLEY,
R. L. WILLIAMSON,
R. A. WHITTEN,
W. J. ANDES,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT.

We, your Committee on Apportionment, recommend the following amounts be raised by our Conference: Home Missions, \$400; Conference Fund, \$205; Southern Convention, \$501.

To be raised by the Churches as follows: Antioch, \$80; Bethel, \$40; Bethlehem, \$80; Beulah, \$15; Christian Chapel, \$5; Concord, \$30; Dry Run, \$40; Island Ford, \$6; Joppa, \$15; Leakesville, \$125; Linville, \$110; Mayland, \$70; Mt. Olivet (R), \$25; Mt. Olivet (G), \$70; Mt. Lebanon, \$25; New Hope, \$30; Newport, \$75; Palmyra, \$20; St. Peter's, \$15; Timber Ridge, \$80; Whistler's Chapel, \$25; Winchester, \$100; Wood's Chapel, \$25.

W. C. WAMPLER,
J. M. LOHR,
W. B. BURKE,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE.

We recommend that the decision of a place for next year's session of Conference be left to the Executive Committee.

E. M. SPITZER,
T. Z. ALGER,
WILLIE LARRICK,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Nominations, submit the following as officers of the Conference for the ensuing year: President, Rev. R. L. Williamson; Vice-President, Rev. R. A. Whitten; Secretary, W. J. Andes; Assistant Secretary, Norman Morris; Treasurer, Samuel Earman; Director of Religious Education, Alfred Dofflemeyer; assistants, Elsie Matthews and Norman Morris; Conference Mission Secretary, R. O. Rothgeb; Stewardship Secretary, Minnie Dofflemeyer; Delegates to the Southern Convention: Rev. R. L. Williamson, Rev. R. D. Coulter, Rev. R. A. Whitten, Rev. M. L. Weekley, Rev. W. B. Fuller, Rev. W. J. Andes, R. R. Hosaflook, R. O. Rothgeb, W. B. Burke, E. A. Hillyard, Mrs. K. H. Sale, Elphis Morris.

W. B. BURKE,
E. A. HILLYARD,
W. A. CRAWFORD,
E. F. SHOWALTER,
R. C. MYERS,

Committee.

Adopted.

Moved and carried that the number of ANNUALS to be bought be left to the Executive Committee.

Moved and carried that the Executive Committee be empowered to delegate someone to deliver the annual sermon for next year.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, feel that we have had an unusually good Conference Session. We feel that the Conference delegates will return to their local churches with great inspiration to do the Master's work. We are glad for the emphasis that was put on the plan of grouping the churches and hope the same can be accomplished in the near future. We are proud of the work our Young People are doing and feel the Conference should pledge their support.

We recommend that:

1. We express a rising vote of thanks to Mt. Olivet (R) Church and Community for their splendid entertainment.

2. We extend our sincere thanks to the Program Committee, the visiting speakers for their inspiring messages, also Miss Lois Snow who mimeographed the programs, and others who contributed in any way to the program.

3. Our churches continue to teach temperance and evil effects of alcohol as a beverage.

4. Our church people do all they can to do away with war, and promote peace and good will between nations.

5. The continuance of the Mid-year Conference.

MRS. J. E. BRYANT,
MAMIE SUMMERS,
MABEL HIGGS,
Committee.

Adopted.

Moved and carried that the President appoint a Committee of five people to plan for the grouping of the Conference Churches and that this committee of five make recommendations of their findings to a larger committee composed of one member from each church. The President appointed: W. C. Wampler (Chairman), E. A. Hillyard, Clarence Rush, R. C. Myers, Loy H. Hook.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

HOME MISSIONS.

Cash on Hand	\$ 516.05
Conference Collections	292.76
Conference Missionary Association	90.00

Total amount received \$ 898.81

Paid W. J. Andes	\$ 78.75
Paid R. L. Williamson	180.00
Paid R. D. Coulter	150.00
Total amount paid	408.75

Balance on hand \$ 490.06

CHURCH EXTENSION.

Cash on hand	\$ 36.88
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CONFERENCE FUND.

Cash on hand	\$ 275.76
Received on ANNUALS	17.25
Conference Collections	146.38

Total amount received \$ 439.39

Paid W. J. Andes, Sec'y.	\$ 20.00
Paid Samuel Earman	15.00
Paid on ANNUALS	72.50
Paid Burke and Price	5.00
Paid Burke and Price ('35-'36)	5.00
Total amount paid	117.50

Balance on hand \$ 321.89

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION FUND.

Cash on hand	\$ 373.30
Conference Collections	374.08

Total amount received \$ 747.38

Paid W. C. Wicker	\$ 223.98
Paid L. E. Smith	149.32
Total amount paid	373.30

Balance on hand \$ 374.08

Minutes of Conference Session read and approved.

Standing Committees were appointed as follows:

Executive—R. L. Williamson, W. B. Fuller, R. R. Hosaflook, W. J. Andes.

Education—M. L. Weekley, R. A. Whitten, W. J. Andes, R. D. Coulter.

Home Missions—W. C. Wampler, J. M. Lohr, R. C. Myers, E. M. Spitzer.

Foreign Missions—Thelma Morris, B. F. McDaniel, Clarence Rush, Willie Larrick.

Evangelism—R. A. Whitten, Floyd Showalter, Walter Staten, Mabel Higgs.

Religious Literature—Irene Hensley, Mrs. Florence Oates, Mrs. Edgar Nelson, W. M. Nieswander, W. A. Crawford.

Christian Union—C. W. Louderback, J. Warner Stearn, Elphis Morris, T. Z. Alger, Mrs. Dora Kipps.

Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavors—R. A. Larrick, Ella Pickering, E. Lena Rothgeb, Mrs. Samuel Earman, Margie Alger.

Woman's Board—Mrs. A. W. Andes, Mrs. Fannie May Layman, Mrs. Myrle Eaton, Mamie Summers, Mrs. J. E. Bryant.

Social Service—Norman Morris, Minnie Dofflemyer, Anna Lou Showalter, Elsie Alger, Dora Life.

Apportionments—W. B. Burke, E. A. Hillyard, J. A. Kagey, A. N. Green.

The basis for enrollment as a banner church was given, as follows:

1. Conference apportionments paid in full—20 per cent.
2. One deacon and accredited delegate attending Conference—15 per cent.
3. At least 25 cents per member for Missions—15 per cent.
4. Pastor's salary paid in full—15 per cent.
5. At least 25 cents paid to the Orphanage—10 per cent.
6. Five per cent of membership taking *The Christian Sun*—10 per cent.
7. Five per cent addition to church membership—15 per cent.

Any church making 60 per cent or more will be enrolled as a banner Church.

The following banner churches were enrolled:

Antioch, 65 per cent; Bethel, 60 per cent; Joppa, 60 per cent; Linville, 80 per cent; Bethlehem, 65 per cent; Leakesville, 65 per cent; Mt. Olivet (G), 90 per cent; Mt. Olivet (R), 60 per cent; New Hope, 65 per cent; Newport, 65 per cent; Palmyra, 80 per cent; Winchester, 65 per cent.

Moved and carried that the Conference adjourn to meet Wednesday and Thursday before the second Sunday in August, in 1938.

Hymn—"Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

Benediction—Rev. R. D. Coulter.

R. L. WILLIAMSON, *President,*
Charlottesville, Va.

W. J. ANDES, *Secretary,*
Harrisonburg, Va.

Minutes of Mid-Year Session of the Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference.

BETHLEHEM CHRISTIAN CHURCH, MARCH 25, 1937.

THEME: "*Widening Horizons.*"

MORNING SESSION.

The Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference met in the Mid-Year Session, and was called to order at 10:00 A. M. by President R. L. Williamson.

Devotional Services were conducted by Dr. M. L. Weekley.

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—R. L. Williamson, M. L. Weekley, W. J. Andes.

Chairmen of Standing Committees—R. L. Williamson, M. L. Weekley, W. C. Wampler, W. J. Andes, Irene Hensley.

Conference Officers—R. L. Williamson, W. J. Andes, J. C. Bradford, Samuel Earman, R. O. Rothgeb, Minnie Dofflemeyer.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—Moody Nieswander, Floyd Showalter.

Bethel—Mrs. C. M. McCoy and Minnie Dofflemeyer.

Bethlehem—Ella Pickering, C. D. Phillips.

Concord—Mrs. Frank Derrow, Hazel Kenney.

Island Ford—Walter Staton, Mrs. C. L. Marshall.

Leakesville—Mrs. R. O. Rothgeb, E. Lena Rothgeb.

Linville—Mrs. Samuel Earman, J. Warner Stearn, Mrs. R. Roy Hosaflook.

Mayland—E. A. Hillyard, D. C. Golladay.

Mt. Olivet (R)—Irene Hensley, W. K. Hensley.

New Hope—N. M. Hasler, Mrs. Ernest Spitzer.

Newport—Mabel Higgs, Amy Louderback.

Timber Ridge—Mrs. B. F. Sine.

St. Peter's—Mrs. W. A. Hensley, Mrs. S. A. Jenkins.

Winchester—Mrs. A. K. Sirbaugh, Mrs. K. H. Sale, Mrs. E. W. Cather, Mrs. Orville Hoover.

Wood's Chapel—Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kagey.

On motion the following were invited to seats as deliberative members of the Conference: Rev. R. A. Whitten, Rev. and Mrs. Roy D. Coulter.

The welcome address was given by Miss Ella Pickering. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Holt of New Market gave the response.

Discussion of East Libera Church was tabled until the regular session of Conference in August.

Motion was made and passed that the Conference go on record as sanctioning and supporting the movement to erect a memorial to the late Rev. A. W. Andes.

It was moved and carried that the Mission Secretary of the Conference, R. O. Rothgeb, assisted by the Home Mission Committee, look into the status of the following churches: East Liberty and High Point, and report to the regular session of Conference in August.

President Williamson introduced the theme: "Widening Horizons."

Rev. R. A. Whitten addressed the Conference: "The Church."

Rev. R. D. Coulter addressed the Conference: "The Field is the World."

Motion carried that the Conference reassemble for the afternoon session at 1:30 P. M.

Appointment of special Committees:

Resolutions—Amy Louderback, Mrs. C. M. McCoy, Irene Hensley, Mrs. C. L. Marshall.

Press—Mrs. Orville Hoover, Mabel Higgs and Ella Pickering.

Adjournment for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:30 P. M. by the President.

Devotional Services were conducted by Rev. R. D. Coulter and Mrs. S. A. Jenkins.

Address: "The Silver Anniversary"—Mrs. K. H. Sale.

Round Table Discussion: "Widening Horizons for the Local Church."

1. How can the Church be made a Seven Day Institution?
2. What is the Church's obligation to the non-church member?
3. Upon whom devolved the duty of winning people to Christ?
4. How can one become a soul-winner?
5. How can all obey the command: Go ye into all the world?
6. Who are the "Hopeless Cases?"
7. How can the horizon of the local church be widened?

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee, submit the following:

1. Resolved—that we thank the Conference officials for the splendid program so carefully worked out.
2. That we thank those who helped make the Conference an inspiration by carrying out the program.
3. That we thank the School Board for the use of the lunch room, and for our entertainment.
4. That we thank the host church for their hospitality during the Conference Session.

AMY LOUDERBACK,
MRS. C. M. MCCOY,
IRENE HENSLEY,
MRS. C. L. MARSHALL,
Committee.

Adopted.

Minutes of the day were read and approved.

Motion made and carried that the Conference adjourn to meet again on Thursday, before the 4th Sunday in March, 1938, at the Bethlehem Christian Church.

Benediction by Dr. M. L. Weekley.

R. L. WILLIAMSON, *President*.

W. J. ANDES, *Secretary*.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

W. J. Andes—Churches: Concord, Antioch, Bethel, Leakesville, Newport. Sermons, 181; addresses, 9; baptisms, 15; pastoral visits, 700; marriages, 4; members received, 23; funerals, 15; conversions, 19; Salary, \$1,027.81.

Walton E. Brill—No Report.

Wm. Clem—No Report.

R. D. Coulter—Churches: Beulah, Dry Run, Joppa, Mt. Olivet (R), Palmyra, St. Peter's. Sermons, 115; addresses, 5; conversions, 24; members received, 26; baptisms, 17; funerals, 5; pastoral visits, 261; Salary, \$465.00. (Only in Conference the past 10 months.)

W. B. Fuller—No Charge.

M. L. Weekley—Churches: Linville, Bethlehem, New Hope. Sermons, 130; addresses, 6; conversions, 12; Salary, \$820.00.

R. A. Whitten—Churches: Timber Ridge, Winchester. Sermons, 96; addresses, 5; conversions, 11; members received, 13; marriages, 1; funerals, 12; pastoral visits, many; Salary, \$1,000. (Only in Conference for the past 10 months.)

R. L. Williamson—Churches: Island Ford, Mayland, Mt. Lebanon, Mt. Olivet (G), Whistler's Chapel, Wood's Chapel. Sermons, 95; conversions, 5; members received, 7; pastoral visits, many; Salary, \$800.00

CHURCH STATISTICS—VIRGINIA VALLEY CENTRAL CONFERENCE

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	SECRETARIES AND ADDRESSES.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.	Conference Apportionments.	Amount Paid on Apportionments.	Home and Foreign Missions.	Amount Raised for Orphanage.	All Other Benevolences.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	TOTAL.	Value of Church Property.
*†Antioch.....	W. J. Andes.....	E. A. Showalter, Harrisonburg, Va.....	96	99	\$ 80.00	\$ 58.00	\$ 25.24	\$ 58.10	\$ 45.55	\$ 282.85	\$ 903.77	\$ 3,000
*†Bethel.....	W. J. Andes.....	Nannie Monger, Elkton, Va.....	154	157	35.00	28.22	2.55	4.27	7.57	176.15	218.76	6,500
*†Bethlehem.....	M. L. Weekley.....	Ella Pickering, Broadway, Va.....	99	98	80.00	35.00	.....	.....	.....	240.00	292.99	3,000
*†Beulah.....	R. D. Coulter.....	Mrs. Lenora Tibbens, Keezletown, Va.....	27	26	15.00	13.00	.....	.....	5.00	50.00	68.00	630
*†Concord.....	W. J. Andes.....	Mrs. R. L. Smith, Timberville, Va.....	93	93	30.00	19.00	2.85	4.50	3.53	63.16	113.74	1,200
*†Dry Run.....	R. D. Coulter.....	W. B. Burke, Seven Fountains, Va.....	95	95	40.00	34.50	10.00	15.00	35.00	104.00	238.20	5,000
*†Island Ford.....	R. L. Williamson.....	Mrs. Charles Marshall, Elkton, Va.....	22	24	6.00	6.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.00	900
*†Joppa.....	R. D. Coulter.....	Susie Duncan, Edinburg, Va.....	54	35	15.00	15.00	.....	.....	.....	44.17	59.17	700
*†Leaksville.....	W. J. Andes.....	R. O. Rothgeb, Luray, Va.....	175	174	125.00	119.55	12.06	13.98	10.74	293.23	540.55	5,500
*†Linville.....	M. L. Weekley.....	Salie A. Payne, Harrisonburg, Va.....	171	175	100.00	67.00	10.00	.....	.....	460.00	962.00	4,600
*†Mayland.....	R. L. Williamson.....	Charlotte Hillyard, Broadway, Va.....	113	113	70.00	44.00	.....	.....	.....	180.00	247.42	2,000
*†Mt. Lebanon.....	R. L. Williamson.....	Mrs. Allene Kite, Shenandoah, Va.....	108	106	25.00	25.00	4.00	.....	.....	62.05	91.05	1,100
*†Mt. Olivet (G.).....	R. L. Williamson.....	Thelma Morris, Dyke, Va.....	171	172	70.00	70.00	13.05	18.00	.....	165.00	374.91	2,000
*†Mt. Olivet (R.).....	R. D. Coulter.....	Ethel Lam, Elkton, Va.....	112	112	25.00	25.50	.....	.....	.....	103.00	157.34	3,000
*†Mt. Hope.....	M. L. Weekley.....	H. E. Liskey, Harrisonburg, Va.....	45	45	30.00	15.00	.....	.....	59.32	120.00	194.32	3,867
*†Newport.....	W. J. Andes.....	C. W. Louderback, Shenandoah, Va.....	168	166	75.00	16.95	10.60	20.55	5.41	245.56	413.05	1,800
*†Palmyra.....	R. D. Coulter.....	Shirley Oliphant, Edinburg, Va.....	68	88	20.00	20.00	2.00	.....	.....	80.44	125.85	1,200
*†St. Peter's.....	R. D. Coulter.....	Mrs. I. W. Snyder, Elkton, Va.....	70	65	15.00	15.00	.....	.....	.....	50.00	82.50	1,200
*†Timber Ridge.....	R. A. Whitten.....	W. E. Brill, Hooks Mill, W. Va.....	227	227	80.00	36.00	4.00	7.00	1.00	400.00	533.00	6,000
*†Whistler's Chapel.....	R. L. Williamson.....	Edna L. Ettie, Mt. Jackson, Va.....	70	69	25.00	8.00	.....	.....	.....	100.00	108.00	1,500
*†Winchester.....	R. A. Whitten.....	R. A. Larrick, Winchester, Va.....	215	214	100.00	83.00	.....	.....	.....	600.00	1355.61	45,000
*†Woods Chapel.....	R. L. Williamson.....	Ray Stroop, New Market, Va.....	125	124	25.00	25.00	.....	.....	.....	94.74	119.74	525
Totals.....	.....	.....	2478	2477	\$1086.00	\$ 808.72	\$ 96.35	\$ 141.40	\$ 173.12	\$3914.35	\$7206.25	\$ 99,922

*Church has Missionary Society. †Church has C. E. Society. ‡Church has Parsonage.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—VIRGINIA VALLEY CENTRAL CONFERENCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SUPERINTENDENT.	No. Officers and Teachers	No. Pupils in School.	No. on Cradle Roll.	No. in Home Department.	Total Enrollment.	Total Raised During Year.
Antioch.....	E. A. Showalter, Harrisonburg, Va.	8	50	4	3	65	\$ 153.29
Bethel.....	A. A. Dofflemyre, Elkton, Va.	12	117	.....	.....	129	136.35
Bethlehem.....	Clarence Phillips, Cootes Store, Va.	17	67	.....	.....	84	92.68
Beulah.....	O. K. Haskins, Harrisonburg, Va.	6	47	.....	.....	53	25.00
Concord.....	Frank Derrow, Timberville, Va.	8	53	4	.....	65	36.82
Dry Run.....	W. B. Burke, Seven Fountains, Va.	8	49	9	.....	66	53.86
Island Ford.....	B. H. Samuels, Harrisonburg, Va.	5	100	.....	.....	105	.....
Joppa.....	L. O. Crisman, Edinburg, Va.	8	31	.....	.....	39	15.13
Leaksville.....	R. O. Rothgeb, Luray, Va.	11	72	20	6	109	164.96
Linville.....	R. R. Hosadook, Linville, Va.	14	115	9	.....	138	335.63
Mayland.....	E. A. Hillyard, Broadway, Va.	8	45	.....	.....	53	79.42
Mt. Olivet (G.).....	E. S. Morris, March, Va.	11	69	7	15	102	185.31
Mt. Olivet (R.).....	B. C. Shiflett, Elkton, Va.	11	103	16	.....	130	94.40
New Hope.....	H. E. Liskey, Harrisonburg, Va.	8	48	4	2	62	79.81
Newport.....	G. C. Stoneberger, Stanley, Va.	8	78	15	9	110	113.48
Palmyra.....	Mahlon Clem, Edinburg, Va.	11	66	8	.....	85	44.07
Timber Ridge.....	Walton E. Brill, Hooks Mills, W. Va.	14	80	21	10	125	87.00
Whistler's Chapel.....	W. K. Good, Quicksburg, Va.	7	44	.....	.....	51	140.00
Winchester.....	J. A. Spaid, Winchester, Va.	28	125	13	2	168	399.31
Woods' Chapel.....	J. N. Shiflett, Mt. Jackson, Va.	5	21	.....	.....	26	14.14
Totals.....	.....	208	1,380	130	47	1,765	\$2,250.66

Proceedings of the One Hundred Seventeenth Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

HOLLAND CHRISTIAN CHURCH, HOLLAND, VA.
NOVEMBER 3-5, 1937.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference met in its 117th Annual Session and was called to order by Rev. Robert Lee House, President, at 10:10 A. M. Song Service was conducted by Rev. Jesse H. Dollar.

Prayer was led by H. E. Crutchfield.

The roll was called and the following ministers and delegates were enrolled:

ENROLLMENT.

Elders—R. E. Brittle, Elisha Bradshaw, H. E. Crutchfield, Jesse H. Dollar, Joe A. French, H. S. Hardcastle, Robert Lee House, H. C. Hilliard, Elwood W. Jones, I. W. Johnson, Carl R. Key, F. C. Lester, T. N. Lowe, J. F. Morgan, J. E. McCauley, N. G. Newman, G. A. Pearce, J. M. Roberts, L. E. Smith, John G. Truitt, T. Fred Wright, J. H. Warren, George Olejar, M. S. Poulson, B. H. Watkins.

Licentiates—S. W. Phillips, Emanuel Hedgebeth. Total—27.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—W. E. Garrison, Mrs. W. E. Garrison, J. F. Godwin.

Barrett's—J. F. Wellons, W. H. Pond.

Burton's Grove—J. W. Pittman, J. F. Gay.

Berea (Nansemond)—Mrs. H. P. Harrell, Mrs. R. T. Bradford.

Berea (Norfolk)—Mrs. F. N. Hall, E. E. Waterfield.

Bethlehem (Disputanta)—Mrs. George Olejar, Walter Rusuak.

Bethlehem—Mrs. Clifton Joyner, J. M. Ashley, T. H. Dilday, Mrs. T. H. Dilday.

Centerville—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bain.

Christian Temple—Dr. J. W. Manning, M. J. W. White, Mrs. G. C. Manson, Mrs. C. C. Johnson.

Cypress Chapel—Mrs. W. L. Harrell, Mrs. G. C. Mann, T. F. Ellis.

Damascus—H. G. Pierce, Mrs. J. M. Byrum, Mrs. L. E. McCoy.

Dendron—E. T. Atkinson, W. S. Barrett.

Elm Avenue—J. E. Savage, S. G. Knick.

- Eure*—Mrs. Elijah Harrell, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Felton.
First, Norfolk—J. S. Kagey, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Hosier, Miss Annie Winborne.
First, Portsmouth—H. W. Lee, Mrs. Georgia Capell, Mrs. J. F. Brothers.
First Richmond—Mrs. Annie M. Brown, Mrs. G. B. Ganzert, J. T. Kernodle.
Franklin—J. A. Williams, L. B. Norfleet, Mrs. W. J. M. Holland, Mrs. E. P. Jones.
Holy Neck—Miss Lillye Holland, R. C. Norfleet, J. T. Rawles, Mrs. C. C. Baker.
Holland—A. L. Jolly, R. E. Hedgebeth, Mrs. L. J. Daughtrey, R. H. Riedel, Mrs. Clarence Daughtrey.
Hopewell—Mrs. G. A. Robertson, Mrs. Eva Fuller.
Isle of Wight—Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Whitley.
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Johnson's Grove—John A. Scott, B. F. Hancock.
Liberty Spring—I. T. Byrd, E. B. Rawles, William Harrell, Harold Byrd.
Mt. Carmel—E. W. Beale, Mrs. J. B. Bland, R. T. Bowden.
Mt. Zion—
Newport News—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Baker.
New Lebanon—N. H. Savage, J. W. Maynard.
Ocean View—Mrs. B. G. Harrell.
Oakland—C. W. Darden, Mrs. C. W. Darden, Miss Mildred Godwin, Mrs. J. Rollie Gayle.
Oak Grove—Mrs. Elsie Eason, G. E. Rountree, Mrs. W. K. Parker.
Old Zion—Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Heath.
Rosemont—W. H. Farrow, Mrs. O. S. Mills, J. R. Morrison.
Suffolk—Mrs. Emily Crocker, J. E. West, Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Dr. J. E. Rawles, Mrs. Annie S. Calhoun.
Spring Hill—Mr. and Mrs. G. C. White.
South Norfolk—Mrs. W. C. Bunch, Mr. Z. P. Roberts, Mrs. George Sykes.
Sarem—R. H. Smith, J. R. Langston.
Shelton (Portsmouth)—Mrs. C. E. Shelton, Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Moore.
Union (South.)—Mrs. J. R. Joyner, Mrs. S. M. Joyner.
Union (Surry)—E. F. Huber, R. T. Brittle.
Windsor—J. W. Roberts, A. S. Roberts.
Wakefield—Mrs. B. H. Watkins.
Waverly—R. T. West, Mrs. E. L. Gray, S. E. Copeland, Mrs. C. B. Harrell.

Total—115.

Address of welcome by Mr. E. L. Daughtrey.

Response by Mr. J. T. Kernodle.

The following visitors were introduced to the Conference: Dr. Charles E. Burton, Executive Secretary of the General Council; Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, of Burlington, North Carolina; Dr. Stanley C. Harrell, President of the Southern Convention; Revs. J. S. Johnson, B. H. Watkins, Dr. M. S. Poulson, Dr. Charles Eldred Shelton, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. House and family, Mrs. C. E. Shelton, Mrs. Fleming, and Mrs. Moore of the Shelton Congregational Church, Portsmouth.

The Report of the Executive Committee was read by the Secretary and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee has engaged in the necessary consultation and correspondence for the preparation of the Program which is herewith submitted to the Conference for approval.

The Committee extended an invitation to the pastor and members of the Shelton Church (First Congregational), Portsmouth, Virginia, to become members of the Eastern Virginia Conference. A copy of this letter, together with its favorable reply, is attached for file. We, therefore, recommend that the Shelton Church and its minister, Dr. M. S. Poulson, be enrolled as members of this Conference, pending the transfer of their membership from the Middle Atlantic Conference.

ROBERT LEE HOUSE,
N. G. NEWMAN,
I. W. JOHNSON,
Committee.

The President announced the following Special Committees for this session:

Nominations—H. S. Hardcastle, E. B. Rawles, T. Fred Wright.

Press—F. C. Lester, Carl R. Key.

Resolutions—Jesse H. Dollar, Dr. J. E. Rawles, Joe A. French.

Finance—H. W. Lee, I. T. Byrd, C. E. Heath.

The Report of the Committee on Stewardship was read by Rev. Carl R. Key, and pending the adoption of the Report an address on Stewardship was delivered by Dr. James H. Lightbourne of Burlington, North Carolina.

On motion the Report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP.

Believing that Stewardship is best defined as a partnership with God, it has been our aim to accomplish as much as possible this year and to lay a foundation for future study and practice of Christian Stewardship. In order to do this work the following things have been done:

1. We presented Dr. Warren H. Denison, Executive Secretary of the Commission on Stewardship, in a series of nine institutes at which church and organization officials were present. These institutes were so planned that each church had easy access to the meetings.

2. Three churches have had a unit for a month on Stewardship in one department, and one church had such a unit in all departments. Each Sunday school has had the usual lessons on the topic. We are glad to report that 81 and more sermons were preached on this theme during the year.

3. A few young people studied stewardship in the Elon Leadership Training School, and worship services have been conducted on this theme in the conference training schools.

4. More than 500 copies of Stocking's "*Immortal Money*," Lattimer's "*Jesus and Money*," and Denison's "*Spiritualizing Church Finance*," have been distributed. About 100 copies of mimeographed materials were distributed to pastors and leaders. Twelve books and pamphlets have been purchased and used.

5. Three articles on Conference Stewardship and several announcements were written and published in *The Christian Sun* during the year.

6. Your Chairman travelled three hundred and fifty miles in behalf of the Conference program of stewardship.

7. As a program of promotion for Christian Stewardship during the year we suggest that each pastor deliver at least two sermons on some phase of the theme, secure the members of the committee for addresses, sermons or classes whenever possible, and that each church or group of churches plan a series of three stewardship classes for three evenings at some convenient time to be taught by the pastor, a member of the Committee or a member of the Commission on Christian Stewardship.

CARL R. KEY,
E. E. HOLLAND,
J. H. WARREN,
Committee.

Address by the President, Rev. Robert Lee House: "The Church Making History."

Communion Service was conducted by Dr. Stanley C. Harrell assisted by the deacons.

Conference adjourned for lunch.

Benediction by Dr. Stanley C. Harrell.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 2:00. Prayer led by Rev. J. S. Johnson.

Rev. George Olejar, of Disputanta, and Rev. W. H. Corbitt, of the Holland Baptist Church, were introduced to the Conference.

Address—"The Fellowship of the Church"—Dr. Charles E. Burton, Secretary, General Council, New York.

The Report of Mr. W. E. MacClenny, Historian, was submitted and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN.

We beg leave to report as follows:

We are, today, meeting here on one of the historic highways of the section. It was opened up in colonial days as a thoroughfare from the settlement on the Nansemond River to the Blackwater River at South Quay, one of the gateways to early North Carolina. The Blackwater River at that point in the early days was the dividing line between the Northern and Southern mails. The old stage route passed over it, and in this vicinity was where the horses were changed and passengers fed, and it took the name of "The Holland House" or "Ordinary" from the owner at that time (May 10, 1862). Later it became Holland's Corner, when there was only one store here, and when the Atlantic and Danville railroad was built in 1887-88—now the Southern—the name was shortened to Holland and the station was built where the railroad crosses the South Quay road. This was the first church built in the town; Holland's Corner Baptist Church had been built some years before on the highway towards Suffolk, and

has since been rebuilt in the town. In the early months of 1863, there took place just north of the town a battle, which was remembered by the Federals from the fact that the Confederates used an imported rocket battery against their cavalry, and put them in great confusion, until it was captured. This engagement was considered of enough importance to be incorporated in the Northern text book on the war of 1861-65, and a very good account of it is given, and it is also mentioned in many of the private diaries of the Union soldiers.

But as a church we can report that during the year two good historical services have been held, perhaps others. One in our host church, Holland, on July 25, 1937, in commemoration of the 84th anniversary of the beginning of the church at the sight of old Hebron near Carrsville, Virginia, in 1853. Later, after the town of Holland was established it was moved here, and has prospered since.

The other was held by the First Church of Norfolk (Berkley) in commemoration of the 90th anniversary, on October 10, 1937, of the organization of that church at Washington Point. At both of these services good sketches of the churches were prepared by the pastors and read before good congregations.

There has been some progress made in the effort to erect a marker on the church yard of old Barrett's Church in Southampton County, Virginia. This church, perhaps, furnished more men of outstanding ability, in the early days of the denomination than any other in the Southern Christian Convention—among whom we would mention Revs. Burwell Barrett, the founder of the church; his son, Mills Barrett, who was one of the main men in the organization of this Conference, and was secretary for most of his life; and his grandsons, Stephen Smith Barrett, organizer of the Berkley Church, Mills B. Barrett, who was President of this body for many years; Dr. William B. Wellons, the great Southern leader, and his brother, the late James W. Wellons; and a number of later ones who did good work for the denomination.

We understand that Rev. Mills B. Barrett, who was President of this body for many years lies in an unmarked grave, and as he was a Confederate soldier, and some say a Chaplain, the Quartermaster's Department of the U. S. Army will furnish free a regular Confederate marker, if any person or organization will obligate to take it from the nearest depot and put it in place, but this has not yet been done.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. MACCLENNY,
Historian.

Report of W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer, was read, and on motion, referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE EASTERN VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE FOR 1936-1937.

1936		CONVENTION FUND.	
Oct. 26	Balance as per last report	\$	3.60
Nov. 2	By Conference Collections		1,033.99
Nov. 24	By Balance of Conference Collections		375.00
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			\$1,412.59
Dec. 1	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 6		1,410.00
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Nov. 3	Balance as per Bank	\$	2.59
1936		CONFERENCE FUND.	
Oct. 26	Balance as per last report	\$	19.45
Nov. 2	By Conference Collections		308.51
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			\$ 327.96

Dec. 3	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 2	\$ 55.00	
Dec. 3	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 12	5.00	
Dec. 24	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 14	4.60	
1937			
Jan. 26	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 17	245.00	309.60
Nov. 3	Balance as per bank		\$ 18.36
1936	HOME MISSION FUND.		
Oct. 26	Balance as per last report		\$ 213.14
Nov. 2	By Conference Collections		1,144.50
			\$1,357.64
Nov. 6	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 1	\$ 142.00	
Dec. 18	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 15	144.00	
Dec. 23	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 16	1,000.00	1,286.00
Nov. 3	Balance as per Bank		\$ 71.64
1936	FOREIGN MISSION FUND.		
Oct. 26	Balance as per last report		\$.85
Nov. 2	By Conference Collections		447.43
			\$ 448.28
Dec. 1	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 11		447.00
Nov. 3	Balance as per Bank		\$ 1.28
1936	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FUND.		
Oct. 26	Balance as per last report		\$.42
Nov. 2	By Conference Collections		243.96
			\$ 244.38
Dec. 1	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 7		244.00
Nov. 3	Balance as per Bank		\$.38
1936	CONVENTION MISSION FUND.		
Oct. 26	Balance as per last report		\$.85
Nov. 2	By Conference Collections		480.55
			\$ 481.40
Dec. 1	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 10		480.00
Nov. 3	Balance as per Bank		\$ 1.40
1936	SUPERANNUATION FUND.		
Oct. 26	Balance as per last report		\$.21
Nov. 2	By Conference Collections		392.91
			\$ 393.12
Dec. 1	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 9		393.00
Nov. 3	Balance as per Bank		\$.12
1936	ELON COLLEGE FUND.		
Oct. 26	Balance as per last report		\$.65
Nov. 2	By Conference Collections		1,822.02
			\$1,822.67
Dec. 1	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 8		1,822.00
Nov. 3	Balance as per Bank		\$.67

1936		SPECIAL ACCOUNT.	
Oct. 26	Balance as per last report		\$1,175.00
1937			
Apr. 22	By Check, Suffolk Christian Church		375.00
May 12	By Check, Suffolk Christian Church		375.00
Oct. 11	By Check, Suffolk Christian Church		375.00
Nov. 3	By Check, Suffolk Christian Church		375.00
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			\$2,675.00
Nov. 2	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 15	\$1,125.00	
Dec. 1	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 5	50.00	1,175.00
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1937			
Nov. 3	Balance as per Bank		\$1,500.00
1936		EDUCATIONAL FUND.	
Oct. 26	Balance as per last report, Active Account ...	\$1,691.66	
	Savings Account...	653.86	
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			\$2,345.52
Nov. 10	By Check, Mission Board on So. Norfolk Note		400.00
Nov. 18	By Check, T. Fred Wright on Note and Interest		25.00
Dec. 23	By Check, S. W. Phillips, Rent, Elm Ave. Parsonage ...		100.00
1937			
Jan. 11	By Check, Mission Board on So. Norfolk Note		100.00
May 6	By Check, Mission Board on So. Norfolk Note		200.00
June 4	By Check, Mission Board on So. Norfolk Note		150.00
June 29	By Check, Mission Board on So. Norfolk Note (in full) .		221.70
Nov. 3	By Interest on Savings Acct., Dec. 31, \$8.16; Jan., \$8.27		16.43
Nov. 3	By Check, Charles Wesley Rountree on Agreement		25.00
July 27	By Check, S. W. Phillips, Rent, Elm Ave. Parsonage		100.00
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			\$3,683.65
1936			
Nov. 9	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 2	\$ 150.00	
Nov. 25	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 3	200.00	
Dec. 8	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 4	100.00	
1937			
Feb. 19	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 18	200.00	650.00
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Nov. 3	Balance as per Bank and Slip		\$3,033.65
	Active Account	\$2,363.36	
	Savings Account	670.29	
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			\$3,033.65

SCHEDULE OF BONDS AND BILLS RECEIVABLE.

Charles W. Rountree's Agreement	\$ 175.00
T. Fred Wright's Note	500.00
J. Howard Smith, 2 notes of \$200.00 each	400.00
A. L. Granger, 2 notes for \$150.00 each, and 2 notes for \$200.00 each	700.00
Aubrey C. Todd, 2 notes for \$150.00 each, and 2 notes for \$100.00 each	500.00
Emanuel Hedgepeth, 1 note for	150.00
Herbert Council, 1 note for	100.00
Bond of the Mission Board of the So. Christian Convention, Inc., secured by deed of trust on the parsonage of the Elm Ave. Christian Church, Portsmouth, Va.	1,634.14
One Bond of the same, secured by collateral mortgage on the Christian Church in Hopewell, Va.	1,036.10
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Total of Bonds and Bills Receivable	\$5,195.24

	RECAPITULATION.		Disburse-	Balance
	Balance	Receipts	ments	
Convention Fund	\$ 3.60	\$1,408.99	\$1,410.00	\$ 2.59
Conference Fund	19.45	308.51	309.60	18.36
Educational Fund	2,345.52	1,338.13	650.00	3,033.65
Home Mission Fund	213.14	1,144.50	1,286.00	71.64
Christian Education .....	.42	.....	.....	.....
Foreign Mission Fund .....	.85	447.43	447.00	1.28
Convention Missions .....	.85	480.55	480.00	1.40
Elon College Fund .....	.65	1,822.02	1,822.00	.67
Superannuated Fund .....	.21	392.91	393.00	.12
Special Account	1,175.00	1,500.00	1,175.00	1,500.00
Totals	\$3,759.69	\$9,087.00	\$8,216.60	\$4,630.09

PROOF.

Balances as per last report	\$ 3,759.69
Total Receipts for year	9,087.00
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	\$ 12,846.69
Total Disbursements	8,216.60
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Balances on Hand in Bank	\$ 4,630.09

The Bank Statements and Vouchers are with this report, and the above listed securities were exhibited to the Secretary of the Conference on November 1, 1937, and are held in the vault of the Farmers Bank of Nansemond, subject to the order of the Conference. The bond of the Treasurer is still in force.

All of which is respectfully submitted, W. E. McCAULEY,
Treasurer.

At the request of Mr. W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, I beg to certify that he has on deposit in the Farmers Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Virginia, the balances as shown by the statements of the bank, and he has deposited this day \$400.00 more; to the credit of Special Account \$375.00 and to the Education Fund \$25.00 for which he holds duplicate receipts.

Signed in triplicate this the 3rd of November, 1937. A. H. HARGROVE,
Assistant Cashier.

Report of Committee on Christian Education was read by Rev. J. E. McCauley, Chairman.

General discussion led by Rev. J. E. McCauley. On motion the Report was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

There never was a time when Christian Education was more needed than it is today. The sins of greed, selfishness, atheism, doubt, and indifference to the cause of Christ are rampant in the earth. The minister, officer in the church, teacher in the Sunday school, old and young, are all exposed to these sinister influences.

The early church was exposed to similar conditions; but it met them fairly and squarely and came out victoriously. The only weapon the early church used was Christian Education, directed by the Holy Spirit. Your Committee is of the opinion that the same weapon can be used to the same effect against the same common enemy today.

We need a program of daily Christian Education in the home. We should make the Bible a part of our daily reading and study.

No individual is safe in these days of sinister publications without the leavening influence of the Word of God. Our Christian educational program

needs to include more week day activities. Wherever possible, we should support, foster, and help to carry on this phase of Christian work. We should strive to better organize and carry on our Sunday school work. In order to do this we need better trained leaders.

Your Committee feels that much progress has been made in the last few years in Christian Education in this Conference. But we are yet so far from the ideals we feel we have only waded into the great ocean of endeavor which lies ahead.

During the year your Conference Committee has cooperated with the Sunday school and Christian Endeavor Convention, the Youth Fellowship, and the Board of Christian Education in helping to make Christian Education in the Conference a vital, living issue.

Annual Training Schools have been established, accessible to every church within the bounds of the Conference. Schools were held in Norfolk, Suffolk, Newport News, Wakefield, and Richmond. The schools at Newport News and Richmond were held jointly with other denominations with our churches cooperating on a per capita basis. The other three were wholly our own. From the 42 churches in our Conference your Committee received reports from 24. From the 23 ministers holding pastorates, 15 reported to your Committee. The following facts were ascertained. 7 churches did not participate in the Training School or send students to the Elon Training School. 17 churches and 13 ministers reported 122 taking training in local training schools and 46 attending the Elon Training School 94 certificates were awarded to those who took training in both.

The Youth Fellowship held a largely attended annual, and a semi-annual Conference. They are doing a splendid work.

The Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention was held at Liberty Spring, on July 20th. It was well attended and raised between 6 and 7 hundred dollars. The major portion of the funds raised in the Southern Convention for the Board of Christian Education comes from this Conference. Inasmuch as this report shows progress your Committee rejoices. In view of what is needed we recommend the following:

(1.) That we emphasize, educate and work toward the goal of getting every church and pastor in the Conference to cooperate in these schools.

(2.) That we try to get each Sunday school and church to cooperate with the Board of Christian Education of the Southern Convention by raising the funds asked for by the Conference and S. S. and C. E. Convention. The work this board is doing is worthy of our support

(3.) That each church cooperate with and encourage the work of our Youth Fellowship in our Conference and Convention.

(4.) That this Conference ask fraternal messenger or messengers to contact the other Conferences and ask them to join with us in attempting to perfect such a program.

(5.) That each minister use his influence to enlist the interest of all our young people who are looking for higher education in Elon College. Elon is a denominational College, therefore, we should back her with our presence, our church members and our financial aid.

J. E. McCAULEY,
W. H. BAKER,
JOE A. FRENCH,
L. E. SMITH,

Committee.

Report of Committee on Education was read by Dr. I. W. Johnson, Chairman. Addresses on Elon College by Dr. L. E. Smith, Dr. J. E. Rawles, Rev. Robert Lee House.

Address on Ministerial Education by Dr. I. W. Johnson. On motion the Report was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education begs leave to submit the following:

1. *Elon College* is making progress and during the year has been recognized by the North Carolina State Department of Education in being authorized to provide in-service training for the teachers in the public schools of Alamance County, North Carolina. Sixty teachers have been enrolled in the Extension School which meets evenings and Saturdays in Burlington High School Building. The college provides the teachers and tuition is paid to the college.

The enrollment is larger than last year—533, including the Extension School. The faculty of the college has been carefully chosen and ranks with other first class colleges in scholastic training and efficiency. The constituency of the Conference may be assured that Elon College is in the front ranks in the field of Christian Education. We bespeak for the college a fair and favorable consideration by parents and young people in planning for a college course.

We congratulate the churches which have raised the Elon College Apportionment this year, and urge all churches to raise the Apportionment in full the ensuing year. This will help the college meet expenses.

2. *Ministerial Information.* The following persons are on the roll as licentiates: Revs. D. D. Nash, S. W. Phillips, A. L. Granger, Jr., Aubrey C. Todd, Herbert G. Council, Jr., and L. E. Huber.

Revs. A. L. Granger, and Herbert G. Council, Jr., are students in Yale Divinity School, and Rev. Aubrey C. Todd is in Chicago Seminary. Ellis Clarke is studying in a Training School. Emanuel Hedgebeth is in the Junior year at Elon College and doing satisfactory work.

We recommend that Emanuel Hedgebeth be granted a loan of \$150.00 and a credit of \$100.00 on room and board from the Ministerial Trust Fund; and that he be licensed as a probationer during this session of Conference.

We recommend that Rev. R. A. Whitten be granted a letter of transfer to the Virginia Valley Central Conference.

We recommend that Revs. B. H. Watkins of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, and J. S. Johnson of the Eastern North Carolina Conference, be enrolled as elders on letters of transfer to this Conference; and that Rev. George Olejar of the Washington Congregational Association be enrolled as an elder upon presentation of letter of transfer

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Cash in Farmers Bank of Nansemond	\$	3,008.65
Elon Ministerial Trust Fund		3,000.00
Notes: C. W. Rountree, balance on agreement ..	\$	175.00
T. Fred Wright		500.00
J. Howard Smith		400.00
A. L. Granger, Jr.		700.00
Aubrey C. Todd		500.00
Emanuel Hedgebeth		150.00
Herbert G. Council, Jr.		100.00
Elm Avenue Parsonage		1,634.10
Hopewell Church		1,036.10
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	\$	5,195.24
Total	\$	11,203.89

I. W. JOHNSON,
H. S. HARDCASTLE,
JOHN G. TRUITT,
F. C. LESTER,
N. G. NEWMAN,

Committee.

NOTE: C. W. Rountree paid \$25.00 on the note listed above during Conference week. SEC'TY.

Bethlehem Congregational Church, near Disputanta, Virginia, and Shelton Church, Portsmouth, made application for membership in the Conference. It was moved and carried that these churches be admitted into membership and the delegates enrolled.

Conference adjourned till the evening session.

Benediction by Rev. J. H. Warren.

WEDNESDAY—EVENING SESSION.

At 6:00 P. M. a delightful Banquet was held in the church in honor of Dr. N. G. Newman, who is retiring from the active pastorate of Holy Neck Church. Dr. I. W. Johnson was toastmaster. Mr. J. T. Rawles spoke concerning the work of Dr. N. G. Newman as a pastor, and at the conclusion of his address presented the retiring pastor with a purse of \$47.00 (silver dollars) as a gift from the Holy Neck Church. Dr. L. E. Smith spoke as a representative of Elon College. Dr. Newman responded in a very appropriate address on The Minister.

Conference convened at 7:30. Prayer led by Rev. R. E. Brittle. Address: "A Program for the Rural Church"—by Rev. Jesse A. Stanfield. Address: "Planning a Comprehensive Church Program"—by Rev. Carl R. Key.

Special Music by the Choir.

Address on China, by Dr. Willard L. Beard, returned missionary.

Conference adjourned till 9:30 Thursday.

Benediction by Rev. George Olejar.

THURSDAY—FORENOON SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 9:45. Song Service conducted by Rev. T. Fred Wright. Prayer led by Rev. H. C. Hilliard.

Minutes of previous day read and approved.

Report of Committee on Ministerial Ethics was read by Dr. N. G. Newman, Chairman, and on motion, the Report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL ETHICS.

We reaffirm our high ideals of the ministry, and our faith in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, when preached in its purity and power, as the one thing that can save our generation from moral and spiritual ruin. We believe that this age calls for a message of compelling power, and that the power of the message will depend upon the minister's personal relation to God and men. We record with gratitude our appreciation of the good name, high character and Christian fellowship of the ministers of this Conference.

We recommend:

1. That our ministers strive to be pure in thought, chaste in speech and prudent in social relations; that they live in such communion and fellowship with God as will give them assurance of the message and power in its deliverance.

2. That our ministers be prudent in making financial obligations and observe the strictest fidelity in meeting the same.

3. That our ministers recognize the value of spiritual brotherhood and seek to strengthen one another by brotherly intercourse and fellowship. We believe the monthly meetings of the Minister's Association of this Conference have made a large contribution to this end, and we recommend that all our ministers attend these meetings.

4. We recommend that this Conference continue its present policy to sacredly guard the portals to the ministry, that only the competent and worthy be admitted, and that it keep a jealous watch over the character and reputation of its ministers that the worthy may be protected and the unworthy excluded.

N. G. NEWMAN,
M. W. HOLLOWELL,
M. J. W. WHITE,
I. W. JOHNSON,
Committee.

Mr. Emmanuel Hedgebeth, a ministerial student in the Junior year at Elon College, was licensed to preach the Gospel. Rev. Carl R. Key, pastor of the Holland Christian Church was in charge of this ceremony.

The Report of the Committee on Religious Literature was read by Rev. F. C. Lester, Chairman. General discussion by Revs. F. C. Lester, John G. Truitt, I. W. Johnson, and Dr. L. E. Smith. On motion the Report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Of the writing of reports, there is far too much, and of the reading of literature, much too little. Three years ago your committee said that our people were not reading, and last year it said that 75 per cent of our families received daily papers and less than 10 per cent *The Christian Sun*, our Church Paper. Two years ago your Committee urged that the circulation of *The Christian Sun* be made a major project of our conference, and last year it was recommended that each church select a person whose duty it would be to secure subscriptions to *The Christian Sun*, *The Pilgrim Highroad*, and periodicals published by the Congregational Publishing Society. All three years the Bible was recommended as the best seller and as the most profitable reading. It was recommended that we keep good company as we read literature and that movies be selected with care. Always your committee, the personnel of which is changed each year, recommends that we use our own Sunday school literature and commend the women and young people for their missionary study, and sometimes recommend the use of devotional literature of which there is an abundance.

But what good are all these recommendations? Has anyone changed his habit? Are conditions improved any? The answer is yes. Protests registered by church people against bad movies has changed the type of picture now being shown on the screen. Of course, there are still some that are not good, and there is also bad literature to be found on the news stands just like there are bad men and women in certain areas of our society, but there are good movies, and apparently there is a bit of improvement in the type of literature coming from the press. Even *The Christian Sun* has more subscribers, for the young people and missionary societies in Holland, Suffolk, Newport News, First Church (Norfolk), Bethlehem, Oakland, Franklin, Berea (Nans.), and perhaps others, really got busy and sent in both renewal and new subscriptions so that today there are 500 papers being distributed every week in Eastern Virginia.

During the past three years 641 Bibles and New Testaments have been distributed by the Board of Christian Education in this Conference. It may be that

some of the boys and girls, for most of the books went to them, have read in the Bible which was given to them. There are those who hope so. "The Missionary Herald" reports an increasing subscription list within this area, and most likely "The Pilgrim Highroad" could do the same, for many of our young people are reading it. Apparently, there is a growing appreciation of the materials produced in New York and Boston for use in our churches. This is as it should be, for there is an abundance of helpful material on almost every phase of church work.

Your committee recommends the following:

1. That we continue to make the "Bible our only rule of faith and practice," and that ingenuity be used in trying to get its teaching into the everyday life of our people.

2. That we continue to emphasize the value of our own Sunday school literature, hymn books, and other materials produced by our Church.

3. That reading clubs be organized in the churches with the purpose of getting people of all ages, who can read, to read good literature of various kinds, including missionary, stewardship, and even secular books or magazines that are helpful.

4. That the Conference take seriously the matter of promoting *The Christian Sun*, and that an agent be selected in each church whose business it will be to secure new and renewal subscriptions for this our only Southern publication.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. V. LEATHERS,
MRS. H. S. HARDCASTLE,
MRS. W. B. WILLIAMS,
F. C. LESTER, *Chairman,*
Committee.

The Report of the Committee on Home Missions was read by Col. J. E. West, Chairman. Address on Home Missions, by Rev. Jesse H. Dollar. Address by Col. J. E. West. Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Notwithstanding the chaotic conditions throughout the world, we urge our churches to give continued support to Foreign Missions, while increasing the membership and contributions to Home Missions, in order to build a stronger home base and save America as well as the world.

In order to save America, the church must offer something better than clubs, societies and similar organizations, however meritorious. We must live Christianity as well as profess it. To carry out the commands of Jesus, we must use the resources of Jesus Christ, the Head of the Church. Therefore, we endorse the National Preaching Mission of the Protestant Churches of America, with the suggestion that it be extended into every city, town and district, to the end, that the church may be brought to its knees in confession and repentance of sin, and revitalized by the power of the Holy Spirit for the task that lies ahead.

The appalling increase of crime, especially among young people, demands the most serious consideration of both church and state, and we suggest that the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches appoint a commission on crime to discover the causes for the unusual increase of crime and recommend what changes, if any, the united church should make in its program, including that of its auxiliaries, in order to do its part in solving this problem.

While this Conference shows slight growth in membership there are some encouraging features in its work. Most of the churches have been formed into pastorates, every church has a pastor, and there has been splendid cooperation among the churches and among the ministers. Both the Mission Board of the Southern Convention and this Committee have cooperated in the formation of pastorates and are rendering financial aid to weak rural pastorates so as to de-

velop more intensely our rural work. A consecrated sacrificing pastor and membership can solve most of the problems of the rural churches as well as those of the town and city churches.

We suggest to our churches the advisability of ministering in a greater degree to the poor, sick, and underprivileged, which opens a great field for developing the spiritual values of the church. In the execution of such a program the Sunday school classes and Missionary and Christian Endeavor Societies can be of valuable assistance to the pastor.

We commend the work of the Woman's Mission Board and urge every church to organize the three usual missionary Societies.

We recommend the following appropriations:

South Norfolk on mortgage debt, \$700.00, to be paid to Prudential Insurance Company of America; Wakefield pastorate, \$300.00 on pastor's salary; Newport News, \$100.00 on mortgage debt; First Church, Portsmouth, \$100.00 on debt.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. E. WEST,
T. F. WRIGHT,
J. F. MORGAN,
E. L. BEALE,

Committee.

Devotional Period led by Dr. L. E. Smith. Topic: "The Secret of the Lord."

Conference adjourned for lunch.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 2:00. Song Service led by Rev. J. F. Morgan. Prayer led by Rev. B. H. Watkins.

The Report of the Christian Missionary Association was submitted by Rev. J. F. Morgan, President, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

The Christian Missionary Association began its work in 1892. During the years of its history a total of \$52,327.00 has gone through its treasury. This money has gone to the aid of a number of churches and pastors in their times of greatest need.

The churches helped this year were: Hopewell, Elm Avenue, Newport News, Ocean View and South Norfolk. So far as I have been able to learn all these churches have done splendid work during the year, and the action of our Association in helping them has been justified.

The next meeting of the Association will be with the Waverly Church, December 7, 1937, beginning at 10:30 A. M. Let us make this meeting a great success, not only by sending in our dues, but by a large attendance as well.

I would like to recommend that we adopt as our motto: "A C. M. A. membership in every church of this Conference." Each of our churches should, at least, do this much home mission work in our own Conference home field.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. MORGAN, *President.*

The Report of the Committee on Nominations was read by Dr. H. S. Hardcastle, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, submit the following report:

President, Rev. Robert Lee House; Vice-President, Dr. J. E. Rawles; Secretary, Dr. I. W. Johnson; Assistant Secretary, W. H. Baker; Treasurer, W. E. MacClenny.

Delegates to the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches—Ministers: Robert Lee House, President; R. E. Brittle, H. C. Hilliard, H. S. Hardcastle, Elwood W. Jones, I. W. Johnson, Carl R. Key, T. N. Lowe, F. C. Lester, J. F. Morgan, W. H. Garman, N. G. Newman, John G. Truitt, T. Fred Wright, Joe A. French, O. D. Poythress, J. E. McCauley, J. M. Roberts, J. H. Warren, L. E. Smith, H. E. Crutchfield, M. S. Poulson, J. S. Johnson, B. H. Watkins, George Olejar, Jesse H. Dollar, G. A. Pearce, Elisha Bradshaw.

Laymen—M. W. Hollowell, M. J. W. White, Miss Edna Fulcher, J. A. Williams, Mrs. Phillip Jones, A. L. Jolly, H. W. Lee, Dr. J. E. Rawles, Mrs. J. M. Rabey, Col. J. E. West, E. B. Rawles, I. T. Byrd, J. P. Dalton, E. L. Daughtry, Mrs. H. P. Harrell, Mrs. Joe A. French, Dr. J. W. Manning, C. D. West, J. T. Kernodle, J. T. Rawles, R. C. Norfleet, J. S. Kagey, A. L. Hanbury, Mrs. T. Fred Wright, J. E. Corbitt.

Delegates to General Council—Revs. Elwood W. Jones, John G. Truitt, Dr. J. E. Rawles, Jesse H. Dollar, J. E. McCauley. Dr. L. E. Smith, Revs. Robert Lee House and F. C. Lester, members by virtue of position.

Alternates—Revs. Carl R. Key, Joe A. French, O. D. Poythress, M. J. W. White, and H. E. Crutchfield.

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. HARDCASTLE,
T. F. WRIGHT,
E. B. RAWLES,

Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted and nominees elected.

The Delegates from the Sarem church presented a request for that church to be granted permission to disband voluntarily on account of the discouraging outlook. It was moved and carried that this request be granted and that the Committee on Home Missions and the Executive Committee be asked to take the matter of using or disposing of the church property, under consideration, with power to act, it being understood that the property is deeded to the Conference, and any proceeds from the use or sale of any or all of this property shall be turned into the Home Mission Fund of the Conference.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was read by Dr. Elwood W. Jones, Chairman.

Address: "Conditions in China"—Dr. Willard L. Beard.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." Thus, our Lord commissioned His disciples to carry the good tidings of His redeeming and keeping love to all people everywhere. "Freely ye have received, freely give," Jesus reminds His missionaries, is the basis of their labors. No person is a recipient of God's grace because of who he is, or where he is, or where he chances to live, but because of his need. The people in need of God's saving truth dwell in every land and in every clime. Jesus made no distinction between the home and the foreign field. We cannot afford to do so, except for mere administrative purposes. The missionary task is a unity. The Christian missionary is a laborer together with God wherever he or she labors.

We live in an ever diminishing world. People everywhere have become neigh-

bors to one another. Jesus taught men how to live together in love and helpfulness. To the extent that we, as Christians, have received, and are illustrating in our lives this all-inclusive teaching of Jesus, we have something to give to a needy world. This is the Christian Gospel, love to God embracing all our forces, and loving our neighbor as ourselves. We look out upon a world, a part of which is engaged in the death grapple of war, and all the rest of which lives under the dread shadow of impending conflict.

Faced with the emergency of the undeclared, but no less cruel and destructive war between China and Japan, where we carry on missionary activity, your Committee feels that it should incorporate in this Report a portion of the American Board Quarterly News Bulletin recently received. It is entitled, "Aggressive Japan and Western China." Both need understanding and friendship. Today, this means:

"First—We are putting our three missions in China on a war-time basis. Our missionaries in both Japan and China are standing by. 'Certainly when trouble comes, it is not the time to step out. On the contrary, says Floyd Roberts,' can we catch their devotion. Mothers with children, the ill and the aged are being evacuated. War-time service demands greater sacrifice than ever, but 'now or soon after is the most important and crucial time of our work.' We will not desert our Christian friends in these countries. In most cases schools and hospitals are continuing much as before, but with increased opportunities and duties."

"Second—We must condemn militarism and aggression everywhere and always. Unquestionably war is contrary to the spirit of Christ, but we must maintain unbroken fellowship with our Japanese and Chinese friends by entering into the struggle going on in their own minds and hearts. 'Judge not, that ye be not judged.' 'Cast out first the beam out of thine own eye.' We must assure those in China and Japan who have taken Jesus as their Lord and Master 'we hold them in our hearts, 'now of all times, George Shepherd writes: 'The Church is needed now in China more than ever and if they need missionaries in peace times they need them more in times of strain.'"

"Third—Special Funds are needed during this crisis. The American Board has already sent its first special gift for emergency travel, relief and hospital service in China. More is needed for emergencies at once. We ask now for \$25,000.00 in addition to all regular giving. Send a special gift ear-marked 'For China Emergency' to our Treasurer as soon as you can. Money translates and transfers our friendly spirit to the point of bitter need.

"Fourth—Unitedly we must look beyond the end of this conflict. Christian people of every land must seek to be used by the Spirit of God to build better bridges of good will, justice and mutual understanding and respect between the nations."

Your Committee, therefore, recommends:

1. That we take our firm stand in realizing that these days call not to discouragement, but to repentance and consecration to our Lord's call to give as freely as we have received of His truth. Remember the holy challenge that men ought always to pray and not to faint. Pray for the workers in yonder fields, having especially upon their hearts those who toil amid the strife and strain of war.

2. That we accept the missionary apportionment to our churches as the minimum basis of our giving, and endeavor to give more in this period of special need.

3. That the missionary education in giving be stressed through the monthly missionary program and offering in the Sunday school, through the special Missionary Offering in the church, and through emphasizing the opportunity for regular giving to missions in the mission side of the duplex envelope.

4. That we commend and gratefully acknowledge the splendid work being done in our Conference by the Woman's, Young People's, Willing Worker's and Cradle Roll Missionary Societies in their great field of missionary education, and in their increasing material gifts to the Mission cause. This, their Silver

Jubilee year, has been observed with greatly increased giving and deepened devotion to their beloved task. To them, in the exalted work they are doing, we pledge our Cooperation.

ELWOOD W. JONES,
MRS. R. T. BBADFORD,
MRS. JOHN G. TRUITT,
W. H. GARMAN,
MRS. J. MONROE HARRIS,
Committee.

The Report of the Woman's Missionary Conference was read by Mrs. H. P. Harrell, and on motion adopted as follows:

REPORT OF WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY
CONFERENCE OF VIRGINIA.

The Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference of the Congregational and Christian Churches met in Franklin Christian Church, Friday, October 1, 1937, in the twenty-fifth annual session. About four hundred women were present. Mrs. J. Monroe Harris, of Norfolk, Virginia, presided and Mrs. Herbert P. Harrell, of Driver, Virginia, was Secretary.

The Session of the Conference reached a high water mark in point of interest, efficiency and inspirational outlook.

The outstanding speaker of the day was Dr. Norma Dunning, a medical missionary representing the Presbyterian Board in India. She recited a number of instances of personal experience culled from her work as a surgeon in a Mission Hospital, and gave interesting insights into the outstanding differences between Christianity and the pagan religion of India. The Report of the Treasurer indicated that the total offerings given by all the Societies of Eastern Virginia Conference for the year were \$4,901.69. The total amount raised by the Societies of the Conference for the Silver Anniversary amounted to \$1,136.95. This made a total of \$6,038.64 for the year.

At this Conference for our afternoon guest speaker we had Miss Jeannie Jillion of the Congregational-Christian Board, who has spent many years in Syria as a teacher and missionary for our Board.

The Conference considered it a rare pleasure to have two such interesting and inspirational speakers to take a part on the program.

Among the special features of the day was the lovely music furnished by Mrs. Vaughan and Mrs. Jarvis from the Christian Temple, and Rev. O. D. Poythress, of South Norfolk.

The Young People's Conference met on Friday night of the same date in the Suffolk Christian Church. Miss Frances Everett of Holland, presided. A large congregation of young people attended the Conference.

Dr. Norma Dunning was the speaker on this occasion and delivered a most helpful and spiritual address on the needs of India.

The Young People's Societies raised \$1,532.25 during the year. This was an increase over 1936. They are doing fine work and should be encouraged to do finer work and achieve higher goals in the future. They contributed \$194.75 to the Silver Offering, making a total of \$1,727.10 for the year.

All of these women and Young People are planning to visit the Mohammedan people around the world during the next twelve months as they study their mission study books and broaden the horizon of their own church life.

We are not unmindful of the splendid support and cooperation given our work by the ministers and laymen of our Conference. Too well do we know that without your friendly attitude and your willingness to share we could not accomplish that which we have planned.

MRS. J. MONROE HARRIS,
President.
MRS. HERBERT HARRELL,
Secretary.

Mr. Chas. D. Johnston, Superintendent of the Christian Orphanage, delivered an interesting address on the Orphanage.

The Report of the Committee on Superannuation was read by Dr. J. E. Rawles, Chairman. Report discussed by Rev. Carl R. Key and Dr. J. E. Rawles. Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

"The laborer is worthy of his hire." In making this report, we, your Committee, wish to emphasize the fact that when the aged Minister extends his helpless and hungry hand to the Church for life's necessities, that he is simply asking for partial payments for unselfish work accomplished for the church during his active and productive period of life.

Since this is true, the Church should feel it not only a privilege, but a deep Christian obligation, to put forth every effort possible to meet the living necessities of the aged and helpless minister who has worn out his life for the Church and her interests, thus enhancing our church heritage.

The aged minister is a product of the church. In other words, the Church is the parent and the helpless minister is the child, and we know that Mother Church will take care of her helpless Ministerial Babe by meeting Superannuation Fund 100 per cent and then some.

Therefore, we recommend:

1. That since the Apportionment for Superannuation is so small and hardly adequate at its best to meet the needs, every church sees to it that its full Apportionment for this worthy cause be raised in full and sent to the Treasurer.

2. That all churches stress the Christmas Offering and in this way raise as much as possible of this Fund, which amount counts on the Conference Apportionment.

3. That, as has been suggested, on communion day in our churches, an offering be taken for Superannuation, unless some other day, or way is more convenient for the individual church.

4. That each respective church take the initiative in interesting its minister to become a member of the Annuity Fund, which provides old age security for the minister and protection for his family.

5. That attention is called to the fact that our Superannuates are increasing more rapidly than our income and thus greater efforts be made to not only raise the Apportionment, but more.

6. That, for information and interest, some leading layman in each church be secured to present the cause of Ministerial Relief to his congregation and some appropriate and psychological time.

J. E. RAWLES,
A. M. JOHNSON,
LILLYE HOLLAND,
MRS. A. L. JOLLY,

Committee.

It was moved and carried that the Conference request the Board of Superannuation of the Southern Convention to put Dr. N. G. Newman on the list of beneficiaries.

The Report of the Committee on Memoirs was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Your Committee begs leave to report that during the year no minister or officer of the Conference has been called hence, for which we are thankful.

W. E. MACCLENNY,
Committee.

Conference adjourned till the evening session.

Benediction by Dr. L. E. Smith.

THURSDAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 7:30.

Prayer led by Rev. J. H. Warren.

Special music by the Holland Church Choir.

Address: "The Economic Plebiscite"—Dr. M. S. Poulson.

Address: "Christianity and the World"—Dr. H. S. Hardcastle.

Benediction by Rev. R. L. House, President.

FRIDAY—THIRD DAY.

FORENOON SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 9:30. Song Service led by Rev. J. F. Morgan. Prayer led by Rev. S. W. Phillips.

The Report of the Committee on Evangelism was read by Dr. John G. Truitt, Chairman.

Address: "Revival Meetings"—Rev. R. E. Brittle.

Address: "Personal Evangelism"—Mrs. J. F. Morgan.

Address: "Pastoral Evangelism"—Rev. O. D. Poythress.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

The chairman of the Committee on Evangelism called a meeting of the committee as soon as Conference was over last year to plan the work of the Committee during the year, and then he called a meeting at the close of the year to check up on the work, and to prepare a report for this Conference session. The committee feels that it has not achieved all it has desired during the Conference year, and hopes that the delegates of this Conference and the ministers will solemnly pledge themselves to a greater desire for soul-winning during the coming year.

We have kept the work of Evangelism constantly to the fore in our monthly pastor's meetings; we have talked up the work amongst our pastors during the year; we have promoted the study of Evangelism in our minister's meetings; and have frequently written on the subject for *The Christian Sun*. Pastor's working in this Conference have reported new members received during the year as follows:

R. E. Brittle, 35; H. E. Crutchfield, 36; Jesse H. Dollar, 15; Joe French, 18; W. H. Garman, 29; H. S. Hardcastle, 32; Robert Lee House, 5; H. C. Hilliard, 23; Elwood W. Jones, 12; I. W. Johnson, 32; Carl R. Key, 7; F. C. Lester, 24; O. D. Poythress, 32; S. W. Phillips, 7; John G. Truitt, 47; W. H. Warren, 6; T. N. Lowe, 12; J. F. Morgan, 12; J. E. McCauley, 8; N. G. Newman, 10; T. Fred Wright, 17—Total, 419.

We recommend that each pastor, along with their respective church or churches, plan a definite program and goal of evangelism after prayerful study of the subject; and use whatever method or combination of methods best suited to their particular field.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN G. TRUITT,

R. E. BRITTLE,

MRS. J. F. MORGAN,

Committee.

Report of R. C. Norfleet, Collector, was read as follows, and was on motion referred to the Committee on Finance:

REPORT OF COLLECTOR.

	Conference Home Missions	Conference Fund	Convention Fund	Convention Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Elon College Fund	Superannuation Fund	Christian Education	Orphanage
Antioch									
Barrett's	\$ 10.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 4.00	\$.75					\$ 4.61
Berea, Nans.	25.00	6.00	25.00			\$ 80.00		\$ 5.00	29.30
Berea, Norfolk ..	35.00	5.00	35.00	20.40	\$ 18.61	70.40	\$ 7.00	5.00	.50
Bethlehem	20.00	15.00	50.00	25.00	.63		15.00	3.00	5.37
Burton's Grove ..	10.00	2.00	10.00				3.00		
Centerville	3.00	3.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	
Christian Temple ..	150.00	25.00	225.00	100.00	100.00	250.00	75.00	40.00	35.00
Cypress Chapel ...		5.00	10.00		5.00	5.00			
Damascus		5.00	5.00			5.00		5.00	
Dendron	5.00	3.00	5.00						
Eure		2.00	2.00		2.00				4.00
Elm Avenue		20.00	5.00						
First, Norfolk	40.00	12.00	50.00			125.00	13.00	10.00	
First, Portsmouth ..	11.00	12.00	50.00				10.00	10.00	
First, Richmond ..	35.00	7.00	40.00	8.00	5.00	5.00			
Franklin		18.00	85.00	27.27	85.00		25.10	15.00	30.68
Holland	74.00	18.00	85.00	16.14		50.20		15.00	41.62
Holy Neck	40.00	10.00	50.00			84.00	14.00	10.00	
Hopewell									
Isle of Wight	4.00	5.00	10.00	6.00	6.00	8.00	2.00	1.00	8.00
Ivor									
Johnson's Grove ..		1.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	.25	
Liberty Spring ...	40.00	12.00	50.00	45.50	45.50	134.00	4.75	10.00	
Mt. Carmel	10.00	5.00	15.00	10.00					
Mt. Zion		5.00	5.00						
Newport News ..	20.00	9.80	20.00	84.61			15.00		150.59
New Lebanon	3.00	7.00	7.00		6.00	1.00	1.00		
Ocean View									
Old Zion									
Oak Grove	5.00	10.00	5.00		3.50	1.50			
Oakland	35.00	7.00	40.00	14.00	13.00	100.00	7.00	10.00	20.00
Rosemont	60.00	10.00	70.00			33.00		5.00	
Suffolk	300.00	30.00	400.00	111.30	111.30	384.37	88.03	75.00	
South Norfolk ...	30.00	10.00	35.00			55.00	15.00	5.00	
Spring Hill	2.00	5.00	13.00	2.00	5.00	7.00	2.00	2.00	4.00
Sarem	5.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	2.00	
Union (South) ..									
Union (Surry) ...	5.00	3.00	5.00	3.00		4.00	3.00	2.00	
Waverly		15.00	15.00						
Wakefield	7.00	2.00	10.00						
Windsor	30.00	6.00	35.00	5.00	5.00	12.00	3.00	5.00	
Epworth (Mission)		5.00							
Totals	\$1009.00	\$320.50	\$1482.00	\$437.47	\$420.84	\$1433.47	\$310.88	\$236.25	\$333.67
Grand total ...	\$6034.08								

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. NORFLEET,
Collector.

The Report of the Committee on Temperance and Moral Reform was read by Dr. H. S. Hardcastle, Chairman.

Address on Temperance by Dr. M. S. Poulson.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE AND MORAL REFORM.

Christ came that men might have life, and might have it more abundantly. That abundant life was to be both personal and social—men were to have it through personal relationship with God through Christ, and in social relationships with their fellowmen. In its social aspects it was to be mediated through what He called the Kingdom of God.

It should go without saying that the Church of Christ should be for anything that contributes in any way to the more abundant life for the children of God, and against anything that in any way cramps the more abundant life. Thus it is that the Church cannot and dares not be indifferent to anything that cramps and cripples personality, or threatens or retards the coming of the Kingdom of God. This report calls attention to some of these things and makes certain recommendations concerning them.

We condemn war, not only because it is brutal and futile, but because it is a denial of everything for which Christ and His Church stand. It is the world's worst collective sin, and mankind's worst scourge. It challenges the ideals of the Kingdom of God in that it thrives on lies and fosters suspicion and hate, and destroys brotherhood. It is suicidal in that it defeats its own purpose. The Christian Church can no longer be indifferent toward war. It must condemn war as an instrument of national and international policy, it must actively and aggressively work for peace, and by its missionary outreach contribute to the cause of world brotherhood and goodwill. It should take exception to the present policy of our government as revealed in its determination to insist upon compulsory military training in land grant or state colleges or universities, and in its growing policy of militarism. The church should give its moral support to any tendencies our nation might show in the matter of working out a policy, or forming an organization to work for international justice and good will.

In like manner we condemn the liquor traffic as an enemy of Christian personality and a denial of the things for which the Kingdom of God stands. This selfish and sordid monster, given a new lease on life, and a false respectability by the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment, is growing apace and is increasingly becoming a real menace to our national welfare. It is a highly organized, highly financed, and widely advertised business, and starting with the habit-forming power of alcohol itself, it is becoming one of the most powerful forces of organized evil in our national life. And this, in spite of the fact that it is legalized. From the standpoint of the Christian view of life, the liquor traffic is inherently wrong. The Church of Christ should make no compromise with it. Members of the church should practice abstinence, not only as a matter of personal well-being and as an aid to the more abundant life, but because abstinence is the best way to give moral support to the cause of temperance. The Church should condemn drinking, it should emphasize education concerning alcohol, it should support every agency that is seeking to promote temperance and the elimination of the liquor traffic. When one recalls that there are 1,300,000 women and girls working in beer gardens and wine shops, and taverns in America, compared with 439,000 young women in schools and colleges, one sees something of the seriousness of the situation. The modern liquor problem constitutes a distinct challenge to the Church of Christ.

Gambling flourishes openly and flagrantly. In some instances it is legalized, in others it is forbidden, but in both instances it goes on apace. It has become a mania with some folks, and alas, it has as its devotees, legions of people who are members of the Church. It wears such a cloak of respectability that many good people see no harm, apparently, in it. But gambling represents ideals of life and action that are not in accord with the ideals of Christ as contained in the New Testament.

It would be difficult to establish the fact that women do not have the same right to smoke as do men. But somehow one feels that a great number of women have compromised their ideals at this point. Whatever difficulty religionists may have in establishing the moral problem involved in the habit, scientists have no difficulty in establishing the physical effects of the habit. The Medical Society of the state of Michigan reports that sixty-two per cent of all babies born of cigarette smoking mothers die before they are two years of age. If that be a general index, then what may seem a matter of mere taste becomes a matter of morals.

One's inner life grows by what it feeds upon. If one is to have a healthy vigorous inner life, he must give care to what he reads and what he sees. We call upon our people to refrain from reading the trashy and trivial, to say nothing of the vicious literature which is released like a flood in the average community. Furthermore the church should support an aggressive campaign against such literature. Something can be done in the matter as is evidenced by what the religious forces of the city of Portsmouth have done recently.

The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. Our modern life demands that we re-think the matter of Sabbath observance in the light of the highest interests of man. But it is well to keep in mind that for us Christians it is "the Lord's Day" and that whatever else it may be, it certainly is a day dedicated to the fine art of worship. Individually and socially, we should remember it to keep it holy. It is an institution ordained of God, an institution that still stands for something vital in the life of the race. Let the Church of Christ observe and preserve the Lord's Day.

And what shall we say more? Time would fail us to record in detail the evils, personal and social, that infect our modern life. The things which have been mentioned are grievous faults, but others not mentioned are perhaps just as grievous. Intemperance in eating and speech, easy divorce, undue familiarity in matters of sex, sharp business practices, affectation of racial or national superiority, the spirit of militarism, the mad pursuit of pleasure, a hundred things become fields for the right kind of moral reform when they are seen against the background of Christ's ideal and principles. We challenge the members of our church to live worthy of the vocation wherewith we have been called. Let us not yield our members as instruments of unrighteousness. And let us stand together as soldiers of Christ against all the foes of the more abundant life, and the Kingdom of God.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES ELDRED SHELTON,
S. W. PHILLIPS,
H. C. HILLIARD,
H. S. HARDCASTLE,
Committee.

The Report of the Committee on Place for holding next session was submitted by Mrs. J. A. Williams. It was moved and carried that the next session of Conference be held with the Suffolk Christian Church upon invitation of said church.

The Report of the Committee on Apportionments was read by Rev. T. Fred Wright, and on motion, adopted, as follows:

CONFERENCE APPORTIONMENTS 1937-1938.

	Conference Missions	Conference Fund	Convention Fund	Convention Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Elon College Fund	Superannuation Fund	Christian Education	Orphanage	Totals
Antioch	\$ 15	\$ 5	\$ 35	\$ 20	\$ 20	\$ 50	\$ 10	\$ 5	\$ 5	\$ 175
Barrett's	5	2	9	5	5	15	2	2	5	50
Berea (Nans.) ...	25	6	25	25	25	80	6	5	100	297
Berea (Norfolk) .	30	5	35	35	35	85	15	5	30	275
Bethlehem	40	15	50	50	50	150	30	10	100	495
Burton's Grove ..	5	2	8	4	4	10	2	2	5	42
Centerville	3	4	4	4	2	7	1	1	4	30
Christian Temple .	50	35	225	225	225	550	125	40	225	1,800
Cypress Chapel ..	35	10	40	40	40	100	20	10	100	395
Damascus	15	6	30	20	10	50	5	5	25	166
Dendron	2	3	4	3	3	12	2	1	20	50
Eure	25	10	45	40	40	100	20	10	75	365
Elm Avenue	15	5	20	20	20	50	10	5	25	170
First, Norfolk ...	40	12	50	50	50	150	30	10	75	467
First, Portsmouth	40	12	50	50	50	150	30	10	100	492
First, Richmond .	35	7	40	40	40	100	20	10	100	392
Franklin	73	18	85	85	85	192	35	15	125	713
Holland	74	25	85	85	85	191	35	15	225	820
Holy Neck	40	12	50	50	50	150	30	10	150	542
Isle of Wight	10	6	12	10	10	25	5	2	25	105
Ivor	2	3	5	2	2	7	2	1	6	30
Johnson's Grove .	3	1	3	3	3	5	1	1	10	30
Liberty Spring ...	40	12	50	50	50	150	30	10	100	492
Mt. Carmel	35	7	40	40	40	100	20	10	100	392
Mt. Zion	10	3	10	10	10	25	5	2	10	85
Newport News ..	80	18	85	85	85	185	35	15	100	688
New Lebanon ...	10	6	13	12	12	30	10	3	15	111
Ocean View	10	6	12	13	12	30	10	3	25	121
Old Zion	40	10	50	50	50	150	30	10	100	490
Oak Grove	10	5	12	13	12	30	10	3	20	115
Oakland	35	7	40	40	40	100	20	10	100	392
Rosemont	60	15	90	70	70	175	25	5	250	760
Suffolk	300	35	440	440	440	989	193	93	600	3,530
South Norfolk ...	60	12	70	70	70	170	30	5	125	612
Spring Hill	7	5	13	10	10	25	5	3	20	98
Union (Surry) ..	5	3	5	5	5	15	5	2	15	60
Union (South) ..	15	5	20	20	20	50	10	5	10	155
Waverly	25	12	65	40	40	80	20	10	35	327
Wakefield	7	2	10	10	10	27	5	3	25	99
Windsor	30	6	35	35	35	85	15	5	100	346
Totals	\$1463	\$ 375	\$1975	\$1882	\$1867	\$4650	\$ 916	\$ 374	\$3300	\$ 16,802

We recommend that the Apportionments be sent in, in quarterly installments when possible, and that the amount payable to the Southern Convention be transmitted by the Conference Treasurer to the Convention Treasurer as soon thereafter, as possible.

A. L. JOLLY,
JOHN T. KERNODLE,
J. W. MANNING,
T. F. WRIGHT,
Committee.

The Report of the Committee on Finance was read by Mr. I. T. Byrd. On motion the Report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg to submit the following report:

We have examined the report of Mr. W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer, and find same correct.

We recommend the payment of the bills from the Conference Fund:

Dr. I. W. Johnson, Secretary, Salary	\$ 50.00
Dr. I. W. Johnson, postage and stationery	6.00
Carl R. Key, Chairman, Stewardship Committee:	
Meals	\$ 3.30
Traveling Expenses	11.15
Books and stationery	4.20
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	18.65

Grand total \$ 74.65

Mr. R. C. Norfleet, Collector, reports the collection and receipt of \$6,034.08 during the Conference, to be credited to the various Funds as follows:

Conference Home Missions	\$1,009.00
Conference Fund	320.50
Convention Fund	1,482.00
Convention Home Missions	487.47
Foreign Missions	420.84
Elon College	1,433.47
Superannuation	310.88
Christian Education	236.25
Orphanage	333.67

Total \$6,034.08

We recommend that the Secretary of the Conference be instructed to forward to L. L. Vaughan, Treasurer of the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches, drafts for the Convention Fund, Convention Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Elon College Fund, Superannuation Fund, Christian Education and the Orphanage.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. LEE,

I. T. BYRD,

Committee.

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by Rev. Jesse H. Dollar, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee, having enjoyed the fellowship of the ministers and delegates assembled for the sessions of the Annual Conference, and having felt the impact of the problems we are facing in the extension of the work of the kingdom; feeling confident of the future through the cooperation of the agencies of the kingdom, wish to make the following Resolutions:

1. That the Conference express its gratitude to the officers and Committees of the Conference through whose efforts the program was prepared and executed.

2. That we express our appreciation of the keynote address by the President of the Conference, and extend our thanks to all who have appeared on the program, especially to those who came from other Conferences and from our Extension Boards.

3. That we extend a rising vote of thanks to Holland Christian Church, its pastor and friends, for the splendid provision made for our comfort and entertainment during the sessions of the Conference.

4. That we resolve to make the reports and plans presented to the Conference more than matters of record by returning to our churches with new inspiration and zeal for advancing the cause of Christ within the parishes of the Conference and to the uttermost parts of the world.

JESSE H. DOLLAR,
DR. J. E. RAWLES,
JOE A. FRENCH,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary be authorized to receive the Conference Funds and transmit the same to the Treasurer.

It was moved and carried that the minutes be printed in the ANNUAL and that 500 copies be purchased and distributed pro rata among the churches, the same to be paid for from the Conference Fund.

The President announced the appointment of the following Standing Committees for the ensuing year:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Executive—R. L. House, I. W. Johnson, N. G. Newman.

Education—I. W. Johnson, H. S. Hardcastle, N. G. Newman.

Home Missions—J. E. West, E. L. Beale, T. F. Wright, J. F. Morgan.

Foreign Missions—Mrs. John G. Truitt, Mrs. J. F. Morgan, Mrs. R. T. Bradford.

Christian Education—J. A. French, F. C. Lester, B. H. Watkins, H. C. Hilliard.

Religious Literature—H. S. Hardcastle, J. S. Johnson, G. Olejar, Mrs. Minnie C. England.

Evangelism—J. E. McCauley, H. E. Crutchfield, Carl R. Key, L. E. Smith.

Stewardship—Carl R. Key, John G. Truitt, J. H. Dollar, R. E. Brittle.

Temperance and Moral Reform—Elwood W. Jones, O. D. Poythress, J. H. Warren.

Ministerial Ethics—M. S. Poulson, H. V. White, Mrs. J. Monroe Harris.

Apportionments—A. L. Jolly, J. W. Manning, J. T. Kernodle.

Historian—W. E. MacClenny.

Memoirs—W. E. MacClenny.

Place of Meeting—Mrs. J. A. Williams.

It was moved and carried that the Executive Committee be authorized to care for the lot on which the Lebanon Marker is located, and bill for same be presented to Conference.

Minutes read and approved.

On motion Conference adjourned to meet in the Suffolk Christian Church, Wednesday before the First Sunday in November, 1938, at 10:00 A. M.

Benediction by the President.

I. W. JOHNSON, *Secretary*
Suffolk, Va.

ROBERT LEE HOUSE, *President*
Portsmouth, Va.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

Elisha Bradshaw—No charge; marriages, visits, 50; funerals, 6.

R. E. Brittle—Churches in charge: Cypress Chapel, Bethlehem, Union (South); sermons, 172; conversions, 42; members received, 35; marriages, 37; addresses, 5; baptisms, 21; visits, 1,642; salary, \$1,350.00.

H. E. Crutchfield—Churches in charge: Antioch, Isle of Wight, Mt. Carmel, Windsor; sermons, 119; conversions, 26; members received, 36; marriages, 2; baptisms, 17; visits, 600; funerals, 16; salary, \$1,114.00.

Herbert G. Council, Jr.—Church: supply summer 1937—Congregational Church, Buren, Maine; sermons, 15; addresses, 1; visits, 200; salary, \$100.00

Warren H. Denison—Asst. Secretary of General Council; sermons and addresses, 178; funerals, 1; travelled 21,000 miles.

Jesse H. Dollar—Church in charge: First, Newport News; sermons, 89; conversions, 10; members received, 15; marriages, 4; addresses, 10; baptisms, 10; visits, 706; funerals, 5; salary, \$1,800.00.

Joe E. French—Churches in charge: Berea (Norfolk), Ocean View; sermons, 86; conversions, 6; members received, 18; marriages, 7; addresses, 6; baptisms, 6; visits, 1,024; funerals, 7; salary, \$1,422.00

A. R. Flowers—Engaged in educational work; sermons, 20; marriages, 5; addresses, 225; baptisms, 6.

D. D. Nash—No charge; doing evangelistic and supply work in Concord, N. C. and neighboring towns; sermons, 40; conversions, 14; visits, 100; salary, voluntary offerings.

A. L. Granger, Jr.—Supply First Congregational Church, Hadley (South), Mass; sermons, 15; addresses, 29; visits, 50; salary, \$260.00.

W. H. Garman—Church in charge: Old Zion; sermons, 180; conversions, 32; members received, 29; marriages, 25; addresses, 2; baptisms, 8; visits, 785; funerals, 4; salary, \$1,802.00.

H. S. Hardcastle—Church in charge—Christian Temple; sermons, 102; conversions, 14; members received, 32; marriages, 12; baptisms, 15; visits, 500; funerals, 22; salary, \$2,700.00 and parsonage.

W. D. Harward—No charge.

Robert Lee House—Church in charge: First, Portsmouth; sermons, 120; members received, 5; marriages, 2; addresses, 3; baptisms, 2; visits, 1,100; funerals, 1; salary, \$1,500.00.

H. C. Hilliard—Churches in charge: Damascus, Eure, and Oak Grove; sermons, 77; conversions, 18; members received, 23; marriages, 3; baptisms, 19; visits, 900; funerals, 10; salary, \$1,050.00.

Elwood W. Jones—Churches in charge: Franklin, Johnson's Grove; sermons, 94; conversions, 6; members received, 12; marriages, 1; addresses, 47; baptisms, 1; visits, 510; funerals, 15; salary, \$1,925.00.

I. W. Johnson—Churches in charge: Berea (Nans.), Liberty Spring, Oakland; sermons, 72; conversions, 20; members received, 32; marriages, 130; addresses, 3; baptisms, 17; visits, 400; funerals, 27; salary, \$1,620.00.

J. S. Johnson—Churches in charge: Dendron, New Lebanon, Union (Surry), (6 months), sermons, 28; conversions, 13; members received, 18; addresses, 2; baptisms, 13; visits, 53; funerals, 1; salary, \$240.00.

Carl R. Key—Church in charge: Holland; sermons, 63; conversions, 3; members received, 7; marriages, 1; addresses, 13; baptisms, 3; visits, 1,013; funerals, 9; salary, \$1,500.00.

F. C. Lester—Church in charge: First, Norfolk; sermons, 86; conversions, 10; members received, 24; marriages, 4; addresses, 55; baptisms, 10; visits, 250; funerals, 7; salary, \$1,200.00 and parsonage.

T. N. Lowe—Church in charge: Hopewell; sermons, 150; conversions, 10; members received, 12; marriages, 26; baptisms, 8; visits, 728; salary, \$545.00

L. L. Lassiter—No charge.

J. E. McCauley—Church in charge: First, Richmond; sermons, 142; conversions, 4; members received, 8; marriages, 3; addresses, 20; baptisms, 5; visits, 1,081; funerals, 2; salary, \$1,800.00.

J. F. Morgan—Church in charge: Rosemont; sermons, 127; conversions, 5; members received, 12; marriages, 11; addresses, 12; baptisms, 11; visits, 1,215; funerals, 10; salary, \$1,820.00.

W. C. Moore—Epworth Mission; sermons, 60; members received, 7; marriages, 10; baptisms, 41; funerals, 17.

N. G. Newman—Church in charge: Holy Neck; sermons, 48; conversions, 10; members received, 10; marriages, 2; baptisms, 10; visits, 175; funerals, 5; salary, \$1,200.00.

G. A. Pearce—No charge; sermons, 14; visits, 15; funerals, 2; salary, \$38.95.

O. D. Poythress—Church in charge: South Norfolk; sermons, 87; conversions, 27; members received, 32; marriages, 36; addresses, 7; baptisms, 15; visits, 1,160; funerals, 68; salary, \$2,340.00.

S. W. Phillips—Church in charge: Elm Avenue; sermons, 208; members received, 7; marriages, 3; addresses, 4; visits, 300; funerals, 2; salary, \$1,040.00.

J. M. Roberts—No report.

H. E. Rountree—Chaplain U. S. N.; sermons, 91; conversions, 35; members received, 22; marriages, 8; addresses, 8; baptisms, 5; visits, 439; funerals, 2; salary, \$3,900.00.

Leon Edgar Smith—Church in charge: Elon College Community Church; sermons, 19; conversions, 3; members received, 19; addresses, 6; baptisms, 3; visits, 257; funerals, 2; salary, \$900.00.

John G. Truitt—Church in charge: Suffolk; sermons, 86; conversions, 17; members received, 47; marriages, 33; addresses, 62; baptisms, 14; visits, 1,209; funerals, 39; salary, \$3,000.00 and parsonage.

J. H. Warren—Church in charge: Mt. Zion; sermons, 55; conversions, 16; members received, 8; marriages, 7; addresses, 9; visits, 281; funerals, 8; salary, \$130.00.

B. H. Watkins—Churches in charge: Lynchburg, Wakefield, Burton's Grove, Barrett's, and Ivor; sermons, 122; conversions, 11; members received, 17; marriages, 1; addresses, 26; baptisms, 11; visits, 743; funerals, 14; salary, \$725.00.

T. Fred Wright—Churches in charge: Waverly, Centerville, Spring Hill; sermons, 99; conversions, 15; members received, 17; baptisms, 17; visits, 827; funerals, 7; salary, not complete.

CHURCH STATISTICS—EAST

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Membership Reported Last Year.	Members Received by Confession.	Received by Letter.	Lost by Death.	Lost by Letter.	Present Membership.	Conference Home Missions.	Conference Fund.
1. Antioch.....	H. E. Crutchfield	J. H. Godwin, Windsor, Va.....	168	11	2	5	2	174		
2. Barrett's.....	B. H. Watkins...	P. B. Barrett, Sedley, Va.....	71		1	11	1	70	\$ 10.00	\$ 2.00
3. Berea, Nans.....	I. W. Johnson...	Mrs. H. P. Harrell, Driver, Va.....	95		4	2	3	95	25.00	6.00
4. Berea, Norfolk.....	Joe A. French...	M. W. Hollowell, Portsmouth, Va.....	232	5	12	3	85	161	30.00	5.00
5. Bethlehem.....	R. E. Brittle....	J. W. Folk, Suffolk, Va.....	415	9	4	3	1	424	20.00	15.00
6. Burton's Grove...	B. H. Watkins...	E. W. Carroll, Wakefield, Va.....	45	4	1			50	10.00	2.00
7. Centerville.....	T. Fred Wright...	J. G. Bishop, Jr., Disputanta, Va.....	74			1	3	70		18.00
8. Christian Temple.	H. S. Hardcastle	Herman Capps, Norfolk, Va.....	848	16	16	4	7	869	150.00	25.00
9. Cypress Chapel...	R. E. Brittle....	Roy Brinkley, Suffolk Va.....	318	8	5	4	6	321		5.00
10. Damascus.....	H. C. Hilliard...	J. E. Corbitt, Sunbury, N. C.....	181	1		3	1	178		5.00
11. Dendron.....	J. S. Johnson...	W. S. Barrett, Dendron, Va.....	49		1		3	47	5.00	3.00
12. Elm Avenue.....	S. W. Phillips...	B. P. Deans, Portsmouth, Va.....	59			1		58		
13. Eure.....	H. C. Hilliard...	J. H. Lilley, Eure, N. C.....	350	14	3	6	5	356		2.00
14. First, Norfolk...	F. C. Lester....	W. J. Thomas, Norfolk, Va.....	319	10	24	6	15	322	40.00	20.00
15. First, Portsmouth	R. L. House.....	R. F. Edwards, Portsmouth, Va.....	253		5	3	152	103	11.00	12.00
16. First Richmond..	J. E. McCauley...	Mrs. C. W. Woodward, Richmond, Va.	161	4	4	1	1	167		
17. Franklin.....	Elwood W. Jones	Samuel Bradshaw, Franklin, Va.....	279	2	7	3	2	283	73.00	18.00
18. Holy Neck.....	N. G. Newman...	A. L. Norfleet, Holland, Va.....	337	4	2	4		339	40.00	10.00
19. Holland.....	Carl R. Key.....	Miss Frances Everett, Holland, Va.....	411	3	4	1	28	389	74.00	18.00
20. Hopewell.....	T. N. Lowe.....	Mrs. G. A. Robertson, Hopewell, Va.	158	10	2	1	9	160		
21. Isle of Wight.....	H. E. Crutchfield	W. L. English, Isle of Wight, Va.....	45	1	5	1		50	4.00	5.00
22. Ivor.....	B. H. Watkins...	Mrs. J. S. Bryant, Ivor, Va.....	33				1	32		
23. Johnson's Grove..	Elwood W. Jones	Mrs. B. F. Hancock, Sedley, Va.....	84	1		2	3	80	4.00	
24. Liberty Spring...	I. W. Johnson...	Parke C. Brinkley, Suffolk, Va.....	356	11	6	4	5	364	40.00	12.00
25. Mt. Carmel.....	H. E. Crutchfield	Miss Essie Johnson, Carrsville, Va...	177	6	38	2	3	216		7.00
26. Mt. Zion.....	J. H. Warren....	Mrs. J. L. Gray, Eclipse, Va.....	54	2				56		10.00
27. New Lebanon...	J. S. Johnson...	Ollie V. Cockes, Elberon, Va.....	71	18	1	1	17	71		3.00
28. Newport News...	J. H. Dollar....	D. H. Lawson, Hampton, Va.....	331	1	14	2	4	340	20.00	9.80
29. Ocean View.....	Joe A. French...	Mrs. D. L. Brown, Norfolk, Va.....	105		1	3	38	65		
30. Oakland.....	I. W. Johnson...	Mrs. J. Rollie Gayle, Carrollton, Va.	332	5	5	4	5	333	35.00	7.00
31. Oak Grove.....	H. C. Hilliard...	H. V. Beamon, Corapeake, N. C.....	74	2				76		10.00
32. Old Zion.....	W. H. Garman...	W. W. Starnes, Norfolk, Va.....	394	24	4	5	15	402		
33. Rosemont.....	J. F. Morgan....	W. M. Sparkman, Buell, Va.....	406	5	7	5	14	399	60.00	10.00
34. Suffolk.....	John G. Truitt...	J. D. MacCleenny, Suffolk, Va.....	1263	20	27	10	13	1287	300.00	35.00
35. Spring Hill.....	T. Fred Wright...	Mrs. E. B. Richardson, Waverly, Va.	63	2			2	63	3.00	5.00
36. Sarem.....	J. M. Roberts...	R. H. Smith, Whaleyville, Va.....	34					34	5.00	3.00
37. South Norfolk...	O. D. Poythress..	C. E. Hollowell, So. Norfolk, Va.....	538	26	6	20	5	525	30.00	10.00
38. Union, S'hampton	R. E. Brittle....	R. H. Joyner, Franklin, Va.....	153	6	2	5	2	154		5.00
39. Union, Surry...	J. S. Johnson...	R. T. Brittle, Dendron, Va.....	48			1		47		
40. Wakefield.....	B. H. Watkins...	Edward Bailey, Wakefield, Va.....	98	3	8	3		106	7.00	2.00
41. Waverly.....	T. Fred Wright...	R. T. West, Waverly, Va.....	221	12	2	3	6	226		15.00
42. Windsor.....	H. E. Crutchfield	Mrs. E. R. Laine, Windsor, Va.....	115	9	7	1		130	30.00	6.00
43. Hobson (Inactive)										5.00
44. Epworth Mission.	W. C. Moore.....									
Totals.....			9818	256	229	124	459	9687	\$1026.00	\$ 320.80

VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

Conference Fund.	Convention Fund.	Convention Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Elon College Fund.	Superannuation Fund.	Christian Education	Orphanage.	Pastor's Salary.	Woman's Missionary Societies.	Other Benevolences.	Other Expenses.	Total Raised for All Purposes.	Value of Church Property.
4.00							\$ 5.90	\$ 250.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00		\$ 422.53	\$ 2,500
25.00	\$ 27.00	\$ 27.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 5.00	100.00	15.00	150.00		2.40	\$ 62.36	275.80	1,000
35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	85.00	15.00	5.00	30.00	420.00	145.00	6.00	75.00	1,074.10	15,000
50.00	25.00	25.00	18.00	15.00	10.00	100.00	30.00	520.00	50.00	50.00	416.89	1,511.56	5,000
							100.00	600.00	373.00	131.00	521.00	2,130.00	15,000
10.00					3.00		10.00	125.00	60.00		18.00	213.80	500
			2.65				5.65	101.00				147.15	1,000
225.00	175.00	175.00	450.00	107.20	94.75	108.92	2,795.00	843.00	150.00	7,357.34	14,431.94	250,000	250,000
10.00	5.55	5.00	5.00	5.00		88.00	600.00	178.00	33.00	492.61	1,776.91	20,000	20,000
5.00			5.00		5.00		400.00	82.00		55.00	557.00	1,500	1,500
5.00	14.00	14.00	16.00	10.00	2.00	36.00	143.00	101.00		110.00	548.00	12,000	12,000
	19.00	19.00				38.00	1,040.00	40.00	20.00	683.00	1,864.00	16,000	16,000
		2.00	10.00			10.00	400.00	50.00	15.00	65.00	589.00	2,500	2,500
50.00	50.00	50.00	150.00	30.00	10.00	83.00	1,200.00	109.00	30.00	1,480.00	3,559.04	40,000	40,000
50.00	32.00	50.00	52.00	14.00	10.00	32.00	1,435.00	125.00		241.00	2,406.00	75,000	75,000
	67.33		67.75	20.00			900.00			5,464.61	7,035.16	178,000	178,000
85.00	85.00	85.00	240.00	35.00	15.00	125.00	1,800.00	569.00		561.38	4,099.01	40,000	40,000
50.00	41.00	41.00	150.00	30.00	10.00	180.00	1,200.00	354.00	32.00	412.00	3,079.00	12,000	12,000
85.00	85.00	85.00	191.00	35.00	15.00	225.00	1,500.00	223.00	30.00	2,335.62	5,075.45	35,000	35,000
	3.50	6.65				2.30	545.00	3.00	12.00	36.00	730.65	7,000	7,000
10.00	6.00	6.00	8.00	2.00	1.00	14.00	200.00			54.00	345.00	3,000	3,000
							55.75			34.85	90.60	55,000	55,000
						7.75	125.00			12.28	190.13	2,000	2,000
50.00	50.00	50.00	150.00	30.00	10.00	125.00	600.00	294.00	50.00	263.00	2,192.00	20,000	20,000
13.30	13.00	13.00	13.00			106.00	350.00	162.00		429.00	1,441.50	10,000	10,000
							130.00			12.00	185.00	2,500	2,500
5.00	6.00	17.00	7.00	.50		11.00	120.00	15.00	55.00	131.00	493.50	2,500	2,500
20.00	84.61			15.00		150.59	1,800.00	158.00		3,502.20	5,834.19	30,000	30,000
	4.00	4.00				9.00	352.00	25.00		876.00	1,479.00	6,000	6,000
40.00	40.00	40.00	10000	20.00	10.00	100.00	600.00	98.00		609.00	2,000.00	15,000	15,000
5.00		3.50	11.50			20.00	220.00	60.00		57.36	474.46	2,500	2,500
		21.00				68.00	1,802.00		69.00	934.00	3,533.00	15,000	15,000
70.00	190.00	190.00	175.00	38.00	5.00	486.00	1,855.00	350.00	161.00	905.00	4,800.00	35,000	35,000
459.00	440.00	440.00	989.00	193.00	94.00	1146.00	3,000.00	1072.00	74.00	13,038.00	18,975.00	180,000	180,000
13.00	4.00	8.35	8.00	2.00	2.00	13.00	120.00	10.00		33.00	265.27	2,500	2,500
5.00	5.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	2.00		60.00				105.00	1,000	1,000
35.00		55.00	55.00	15.00	5.00	60.00	2,340.00	154.00	225.00	2,565.00	6,357.00	90,000	90,000
15.00		13.47			1.20	14.47	150.00			23.13	222.27	2,500	2,500
5.00		8.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	22.00	96.00		8.00	12.00	214.00	500	500
10.00	11.58	11.58				26.93	365.00	75.00	42.00	446.25	724.71	5,000	5,000
15.00	50.00	31.00				32.00	767.00	66.00		211.00	1,480.00	16,000	16,000
35.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	9.00	10.00	104.00	400.00	132.00	24.00	362.00	1,428.00	5,000	5,000
\$1439.00	\$1635.57	\$1556.20	\$3070.25	\$ 652.70	\$ 322.95	\$3730.51	\$30,312.00	\$6016.00	\$1259.00	\$44,897.78	\$ 101,363.93	\$1,220,000	\$1,220,000

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—EASTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Total Enrollment.	Total Amount Raised During Year.
1. Antioch.....	J. H. Godwin, Windsor, Va.....	11	60	\$ 86.53
2. Barrett's.....	J. Q. Hancock, Sedley, Va.....	7	48	39.04
3. Berea, Nansemond.....	Lloyd C. March, Suffolk, Va.....	9	134	227.10
4. Berea, Norfolk.....	E. E. Waterfield, Hickory, Va.....	22	160	229.63
5. Bethlehem.....	C. F. Savage, R. 2, Suffolk, Va.....	31	312	361.00
6. Burton's Grove.....	E. W. Carroll, Wakefield, Va.....	7	42	35.00
7. Centerville.....	G. W. Bain, Disputanta, Va.....	6	28	19.35
8. Christian Temple.....	L. G. Robinson, Norfolk, Va.....	37	463	1,956.70
9. Cypress Chapel.....	J. C. Lynch, Suffolk, Va.....	28	210	429.00
10. Damascus.....	Rudolph Corbitt, Sunbury, N. C.....	7	78	78.00
11. Dendron.....	E. T. Atkinson, Dendron, Va.....	10	44	139.00
12. Elm Avenue.....	Stafford Beale, Portsmouth, Va.....	12	60	599.00
13. Eure.....	T. A. Eure, Eure, N. C.....	8	75	35.00
14. First, Norfolk.....	S. T. Ballard, Norfolk, Va.....	24	164	228.90
15. First, Portsmouth.....	H. W. Lee, Portsmouth, Va.....	11	147	287.00
16. First, Richmond.....	R. C. Parsons, Richmond, Va.....	18	130	301.18
17. Franklin.....	John L. Eley, Franklin, Va.....	23	216	407.16
18. Holy Neck.....	J. E. March, Holland, Va.....	14	215	479.00
19. Holland.....	E. J. Norfleet, Holland, Va.....	24	222	416.92
20. Hopewell.....	I. N. Lowe, Hopewell, Va.....	13	141	116.40
21. Isle of Wight.....	W. L. English, Isle of Wight, Va.....	14	76	71.65
22. Ivor.....	B. H. Lane, Ivor, Va.....	5	37	25.00
23. Johnson's Grove.....	B. F. Hancock, Sedley, Va.....	5	35	32.85
24. Liberty Spring.....	I. T. Byrd, Holland, Va.....	16	194	363.00
25. Mt. Carmel.....	Otis V. Joyner, Walters, Va.....	21	145	330.00
26. Mt. Zion.....	R. M. Matthews, Eclipse, Va.....	7	50	33.58
27. New Lebanon.....	Ollie V. Cokes, Elberon, Va.....	7	55	122.00
28. Newport News.....	W. B. Williams, Newport News, Va.....	31	322	402.49
29. Ocean View.....	Dr. L. A. Martone, Ocean View, Va.....	9	135	189.58
30. Oakland.....	G. C. Griffin, Windsor, Va.....	11	198	291.00
31. Oak Grove.....	Emory Rountree, Sunbury, N. C.....	11	65	87.10
32. Old Zion.....	W. W. Starnes, Norfolk, Va.....	19	353	639.00
33. Rosemont.....	H. R. Morrison, Norfolk, Va.....	26	265	880.00
34. Suffolk.....	W. S. Beamon, Suffolk, Va.....	66	730	1,421.00
35. Spring Hill.....	J. J. Faison, Waverly, Va.....	9	45	43.67
36. Sarem.....	No School.....			
37. South Norfolk.....	A. B. Creef, South Norfolk, Va.....	46	411	800.00
38. Union, S'hampton.....	R. H. Joyner, Franklin, Va.....	8	93	67.47
39. Union, Surry.....	R. T. Brittle, Dendron, Va.....	6	38	58.00
40. Wakefield.....	F. E. Branch, Wakefield, Va.....	12	90	164.16
41. Waverly.....	B. E. White, Waverly, Va.....	24	186	192.00
42. Windsor.....	S. T. Holland, Windsor, Va.....	12	101	269.44
Totals.....		676	6,573	\$12,953.90

Proceedings of the Sixty-Seventh Annual Session of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference.

BIG OAK CHRISTIAN CHURCH, ROUTE 1, BISCOE, N. C.
NOVEMBER 10 AND 11, 1937.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Sixty-Seventh Annual Session of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference met in Big Oak Christian Church, Wednesday morning, November 10, 1937. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 o'clock by the President, Rev. T. E. White.

Song Service—"Amazing Grace," and "Blest Be the Tie," in charge of the local choir.

Prayer by Rev. J. M. Allred.

Welcome address by Mr. W. P. Copeland.

Response by Rev. A. L. Lucas.

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—John M. Allred, E. Carl Brady, H. V. Cox, W. J. Edwards, T. J. Green, G. O. Lankford, A. L. Lucas, B. H. Lowdermilk, W. C. Martin, D. R. Moffitt, S. M. Penn, M. A. Pollard, John Q. Pugh, G. M. Tally, T. E. White.

Revs. W. N. Hayes, Edward F. Green, and J. U. Fogleman were absent.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch (C)—(Sent Report.)

Antioch (R)—Samuel Fox, Robert Needham.

Bailey's Grove—Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dezern.

Bennett—B. C. Routh.

Big Oak—S. A. Steven, Eli Brewer, Julius Williamson.

Biscoe—J. A. McNeil, Mrs. W. C. Martin.

Brown's Chapel—Johnie Morgan, H. B. Sanders.

Ether—W. H. Freeman J. W. Caveness.

Flint Hill (Moore)—Benton Britt, Walter Williams.

Flint Hill (Rand.)—Misses Louvenia Smith and Evelyn Hill.

Glendon—L. G. Phillips, B. T. Phillips.

Grace's Chapel—H. A. Willett, R. B. Coggin, J. H. Register, S. H. McDuffie.

Graham—

Graham Providence—Memorial—(By Report.)

Hamlet (East)—(By Report.)

Hank's Chapel—H. C. Farrell, L. J. Riddle.

High Point (First)—Mrs. B. P. Moffitt.

High Point (E. Green.)—C. L. Hunsucker, Miss Garnett Barnes.

Liberty—Cyrus Shoffner, C. L. Bray

Mt. Pleasant—(By Report.)

Needham's Grove—W. H. Scott.

New Center—Henry Cagle, Mertie Cagle.

Parks Cross Roads—Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Dorsett, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Craven.

Patterson's Grove—(By Report.)

Pleasant Cross—Joe Pugh, Mrs. Jackie Shane.

Pleasant Grove—L. H. Brady, Flossie Bray, W. L. Welch.

Pleasant Hill—Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Fogleman, Mrs. Wade Thomas, Miss Amy Fogleman.

Pleasant Ridge—W. W. Davis, Theodore Cox, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bean.

Pleasant Union—Clarence Snider.

Providence Chapel—Jason Moore, Thomas Moore, James Richardson, alternate.

Ramseur—I. H. Faust, H. C. Parks, Walter Coward.

Randleman—A. P. Gaster, Mrs. Hazel Dorsett.

Seagrove—Mrs. D. A. Cornelison, Mrs. B. A. King.

Shady Grove—

Shiloh—J. W. Cheek, Miss Carrie Needham.

Smithwood—Thomas Lowe, Miss Mildred Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Layton.

Spoon's Chapel—Miss Arlene Smith, Mrs. Goodman Vuncannon.

Sophia—Miss Iris Adams.

Union Grove—(By Report.)

Zion—G. F. Johnson, Clara Wicker, Elma Marks, Naomi Dawkins.

The following visitors were introduced and welcomed to the Conference: Rev. J. L. Foster; Rev. J. A. Denton, and Rev. F. E. Hyde, from Eastern North Carolina Conference; and Superintendent Chas. D. Johnston, head of our Elon Orphanage.

Vice-President, Rev. E. C. Brady was called to the chair.

Rev. T. E. White, reporting orally for the Program Committee, stated that the printed program was offered as his report. Motion made and carried that the printed program be made the order of Conference, subject to such changes as may be necessary.

Rev. T. E. White stated that the Executive Committee had no report to make.

The president appointed the following special committees:

Nominating Committee—Rev. T. J. Green, W. P. Copeland, P. E. Coble.
Committee on Place—R. B. Coggin, Rev. D. R. Moffitt.

The Annual Sermon was delivered by Rev. T. E. White, using for Scripture part of John 17. "The Lord's Prayer" (for Himself, His

Apostles, and all other Believers). His subject was "Circles."

He said (in part):

A circle has a center, a radius, circumference and an area. To enlarge the circle, lengthen the radius; to decrease the circle, shorten the radius. Every circle has 360 degrees; it has perfection. God is a circle, whose center is everywhere; whose circumference is nowhere.

In the Scripture used there are three circles: the inner circle; the middle circle, and the outer circle.

We live in circles; we were born in a circle—the home circle. Give us Christian homes and we will have a Christian nation.

There is the local church circle, with a radius from three to five miles; here we consider our local problems. The minister looks after the spiritual needs of the people and renders many valuable services.

Our Conference is a circle. A Conference is a church greatly magnified. The Conference makes resolutions and recommendations; the churches carry out these resolutions and recommendations, or they forget and do nothing about them. The largest church of our Conference withdrew last year and joined another Conference. Since then, we are told, other churches have voted to withdraw. When we draw circles, we include and exclude. So did Martin Luther; such things have happened since. What are we going to do in our Conference?

I resent the statement, or accusation, that this Conference is unfaithful, or disloyal to our principles. We are not suffering from an inferiority complex—we should have a superiority complex. We should be optimists, and not pessimists. As a whole Conference we should become optimistic. In the world success begins with a fellow's will. Be sure of yourself if you want to win. Pessimists develop "can'ts" and then "won'ts." "The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge"—(Psalm 46: 11).

In unity there is strength, and we need a greater unity in our Conference. The small stream does its work; it unites with other streams and they do a much greater work. The small streams sing on their way to form a greater stream. May our Conference join with other bodies to do a greater work for our Master and His Kingdom.

Dr. S. C. Harrell, president of the Southern Convention, Dr. W. L. Beard, returned missionary to China, and Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College were introduced and welcomed to Conference.

The Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. G. M. Tally, host pastor, who was ably assisted by Dr. W. L. Beard.

Hymn—"Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone?"

Rev. G. M. Tally invited everyone to the big table for lunch.

Benediction by Dr. W. L. Beard.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 1: 20 by the President.

Song—"When We All Get to Heaven."

The chair recognized, introduced, and welcomed to Conference, Rev. J. Lee Johnson, Eastern North Carolina Conference; Rev. J. C. Carden, North Carolina and Virginia Conference. Rev. J. Lee Johnson conducted the Devotional Service. Quartette by Mr. D. A. Cornelison, Mrs. B. A. King, Misses Ollie and Thelma Cole.

Rev. T. J. Green reported for the Nominating Committee, as follows:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

President—Rev. E. C. Brady; *Vice-President*—Rev. M. A. Pollard; *Treasurer*—O. D. Lawrence; *Secretary*—George T. Gunter; *Assistant Secretary*—Rev. W. C. Martin.

T. J. GREEN, *Chairman*.

On motion the report was adopted.

Rev. T. E. White, retiring president, extended congratulations and best wishes to the newly-elected president and then called on him to preside. Superintendent Chas. D. Johnston addressed the Conference, using for his subject: "Be a Good Neighbor to Us." Each church and Sunday school was urged to make a large Thanksgiving offering for the Orphanage.

President Brady expressed the gratitude of our Conference to Brother White for his efficient services as president of the Conference.

Ministerial and Church reports were handed to the Secretary.

Rev. Jessie Franks, of the Eastern North Carolina Conference was recognized and introduced to the Conference.

Report of Committee on Foreign Missions was submitted by Rev. M. A. Pollard. Motion made and seconded that report be adopted. While motion was pending to adopt report, Dr. W. L. Beard addressed the Conference. This was indeed a splendid message, in which Dr. Beard related many interesting experiences of his work in China.

The Report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We use Foreign Missions in contrast to Home Missions only for convenience in our speech and thinking, both have as their sole object the winning of souls to Christ, and sharing with others the life, and the love of our Lord. By Foreign Missions we simply mean sending those who are courageous and sacrificial enough to go for us where we, ourselves, either do not, or cannot go. That which makes Foreign Missions so difficult, is that it is purely a Spiritual task, being founded in Faith, carried on in obedience and sustained by prayer, that our God shall have His way and Jesus Christ our Saviour shall become the Saviour of all men everywhere.

"We must live our message, and our message is Jesus." This is the great challenge of the Church today. If we are to be effective as a witness of Our Lord, we must share with others the life, light, and love of our Lord. This is Spiritual activity. Spiritual activity gives power and influence for greater good. The Church should face squarely its responsibility, and align itself with the condemnation of the practices of war. "Wars, the occasions of war, and all situations which conceal the fact of conflict, under the guise of outward peace, are events in a world to which the Church is charged to proclaim the Gospel of redemption.

War involves compulsory enmity, diabolical outrage against human personality, and a wanton distortion of the truth. War is a peculiar demonstration of the power of sin in this world, and a defiance of the Righteousness of God, as revealed in Jesus Christ, and Him Crucified. No justification of war must be allowed to conceal, or minimise this fact."

The true witness of our Lord Jesus Christ must translate his or her testimony into deeds of mercy, that will strengthen our Faith in the reality of the Kingdom of God. In these days of grievous trouble, we are not without Hope, for we believe in God. To Him we turn in earnest prayer and in faith, that the world belongs to God. "To believe in His power, and love, is not to escape

from reality, but to stand upon the rock of the only certainty that is offered men."

For more than a quarter of a century the American Board has been the channel through which the Church has been demonstrating the words of Jesus. "A new Commandment give I unto you, that ye love one another." Today 467 Missionaries in active service are representatives of the Church in this great adventure; 6,608 national Christian workers; 13 Missions; 2,813 places of service; 765 churches; 107,596 members; 1,304 Sunday schools, with a membership of 85,286; 10 colleges; 41 theological and training schools; 1,017 lower schools, with 99,154 students under instruction; 23 hospitals; 40 dispensaries; 404,524 In-Patient Days, annually; and 617,717 Out-Patient treatments.

With all these opportunities to impart the love of Christ, through the various channels, how can the Church vigilantly, and carelessly live and carry on in the name of the Church, and not show the Spirit of Christ in deed? We need to do things the Master's way, and prove Him to the world. If we Christians could only learn to share with our neighbors as we ought, what great blessings would come to us and them, and how the Church would grow. Therefore, we, your Committee on Foreign Missions, make the following recommendations:

1. That Sunday schools take an offering once a month for missions.
2. That all churches cooperate whole-heartedly with Dr. Atkinson, in keeping the missionary work and message before the people.
3. That pastors, as key men, so work at their task that they may not be found wanting when tested concerning their missionary zeal.
4. That at or near Easter each Church take an offering for missions.
5. That pastors give whatever assistance possible to the missionary societies of their churches.
6. That pastors do all they can to interest their church or churches in Missions.
7. That the goal for Missions for next year be at least one-third as much as pastor's salary.

M. A. POLLARD,
G. M. TALLEY,
A. L. LUCAS,

Committee.

The Report of Committee on Evangelism was presented by Rev. S. M. Penn. Motion made and seconded that Report be adopted. Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

We, the Committee on Evangelism, offer the following Report to the Western North Carolina Christian Conference:

Jesus said to His followers: "It is expedient that I go away, for if I go not away the Comforter will not come." It is equally as expedient that the followers of Jesus today, "Go" in obedience to the commission to make disciples.

In this age when there is a sense of insecurity and instability, we need some sure word to create a sure faith in some reality which gives a sense of security and stability to life.

It is the mission of the Church and the privilege of the ministry to make Christ known, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life, that He may be trusted, loved and obeyed. Wherever there is a Christian church or an individual Christian that is truly alive they will sound the evangelistic note; they feel the expediency and the urge to action of example as well as precept which bears fruit. To do this the ministry and the church must be alive to the needs and meet them by getting the Gospel down on a level with it. The evangelist must start where the sinner is or has reached in his experience and deliver a message of Christ. Philip went south toward Gaza; and as he went he came upon the Eunuch who had an inquisitive mind and a hungry soul. Philip began where his man had already reached in his own experience. In our evangelistic efforts,

we must find a way of approach—a landing place. The evangelist must start with a personal experience of the Love and power of God which creates in him a deep reality that God is, and “that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.” He must know that God is eminent as well as transcendent. There must be a deep conviction that man is greatly in need of God; that He gives meaning and momentum to life. And while he faces the pressing problems knows that God is seeking him.

Our program should be both immediate and long-ranged. It should be immediate in worship, material for study and instruction, and practice which includes the whole group. The long-ranged program should aim at building Christian character; the shaping of a community life. The church and ministry has the task of meeting human needs—in and out of the church.

We recommend that the churches provide a continuous program with an evangelistic approach through the whole year, rather than at intervals. This program should include the special efforts and interest of the pastor, deacons, teachers of classes, or women’s missionary societies; and in general, the whole constituency of the church.

To this hour came the church into the world.

Here are some special efforts which some of the ministers have been interested and active in—Our Brother minister Rev. Edward F. Green of Southern Pines, N. C., has, until he was incapacitated physically, been taking care of a C. C. Camp No. 5, seven miles out of Southern Pines, also preaching at the Prison Camp at Carthage; and he has ministered to the County Home inmates, and preached in a school house in Hoke County.

The chairman of the committee has for the last year been speaking once per week at the hosiery mill in Randleman and conducting the devotional service in the New Market public school once each week.

S. M. PENN,
B. H. LOWDERMILK,
JOHN M. ALLRED,
Committee.

Dr. S. C. Harrell addressed the Conference.

Rev. James L. Foster spoke in behalf of *The Christian Sun* and offered to solicit subscriptions until Rev. F. C. Lester arrived.

The report of the Entertainment Committee was announced orally.

On motion the Conference adjourned until the evening session at 7 o’clock.

Benediction by Dr. W. L. Beard.

FIRST DAY EVENING SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President, Rev. E. Carl Brady.

Song—“Standing On the Promises.”

Prayer by Rev. J. L. Foster.

The Report of Committee on Religious Literature was submitted by Rev. G. M. Tally. Motion made and seconded to adopt Report. While motion to adopt the report was pending, Rev. Carl R. Key, now of the Eastern Virginia Conference, but formerly of this Conference, was introduced, and he addressed the Conference. Report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

In the last fifty years we have learned many new and amazing facts about the world in which we live. But the average man today knows no better how to live in this world than his predecessors of centuries ago.

We correct one social evil to find a dozen new ones in its place. We conquer an old disease and find new ones at its heels.

We build schools and churches on almost every other corner, but our jails fill with youths under twenty-five, and our churches are deserted by a mad generation loving pleasure rather than God.

And back of all the worry and misery of this unhappy world, stands the eternal word of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. In Matthew 22:29—"Ye do err, not knowing the Scriptures, nor the power of God."

One of the greatest needs of the Church and Christian workers in these days of religious confusion, is to know the Scriptures and the power of God.

In such a day as this, when faith on every hand seems to tumble, there is a definite need for a study of the Scriptures (II Timothy 2:15) a study that will lead to a higher and more spiritual understanding of God.

The greatest Book of all times is the Bible, and we should give it first consideration. The Bible is God's message of love to men and we never can know that Book unless we love its Author, and revel in its precious pages until its holy words are treasured in our hearts. We must believe and teach the Bible to be the Word of God, because "The Lord gave the Word"—(Psalm 68:11).

None of it is to be culled out to suit the whims and notions of men. We may not understand it all, but it does not need to be changed. Remember, it has come to stay until the heavens be no more—(Matt. 24:35).

We can plant our feet upon its promises and be safe. We can practice its precepts and be holy. We can pillow our aching heads upon its unchangeable utterances and die in safety.

Praise God for the Book of all books. "The Lord gave the Word."

Therefore, we recommend:

1. That we read and study the Bible daily.
2. That our pastors, Sunday school superintendents and teachers keep in touch with the excellent literature published by men who believe in the Virgin Birth, the Blood Atonement, and recommend it to our people of all ages.
3. That parents take special care in selecting literature for their children published by those who accept the Bible as God's inspired Word.
4. That our members subscribe for and read our Church Paper, *The Christian Sun*.

G. M. TALLEY,

D. R. MOFFITT,

JOHN ALLRED,

Committee.

The Christian Endeavor Society of Big Oak Church presented a pageant, "Sin and the Ages." Miss Velma Thomas was leader. This pageant portrayed the confusion of youth in this busy world. The youth comes to himself amid the confusion and decides that the way of the church is better than the way of the world. The way of righteousness finally triumphs. This was a splendid performance and President Brady thanked the Christian Endeavor Society for their program.

The Conference again had the pleasure of listening to an interesting address by Dr. W. L. Beard.

Rev. E. Carl Brady expressed his gratitude, and the gratitude of the Conference, to Dr. Beard for his presence and his messages.

Mrs. Carl R. Key was introduced to Conference by Rev. Mr. Key.

On motion the Conference adjourned until 9:30 o'clock Thursday morning.

Dr. W. L. Beard pronounced the Benediction.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Rev. E. Carl Bardy called the Conference to order at 9:30 o'clock. Song—"My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

Rev. G. M. Tally conducted the Devotional Service.

Minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

Delegates were enrolled; church reports were handed to the secretary.

The following special committees were appointed by the president:

Committee on Resolutions—Revs. T. J. Green, J. M. Allred, G. M. Tally.

Finance Committee—Rev. T. White, W. H. Freeman, W. P. Copeland.

Rev. M. A. Pollard read the Report of the Committee on Social Service. Motion made and seconded that Report be adopted. Report was discussed by Dr. L. E. Smith. Motion was carried and Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE.

We are living in a restless age, when the following are practiced: intemperance, irreverence, irreligion, materialism, unfaithfulness, adultery, murder, and bloodshed, and a disregard for the sanctity of the law. These evils threaten the very life of our nation today. If we, as church people, allow them to go on unhindered, the result will be the breakdown of our Nation.

When we see our jails and penitentiaries filled with criminals from among our youth of today we wonder if the Home, the Church, and the school have failed in the training of our boys and girls.

The divorce evil has become a problem, we see the breaking up of homes, the foundation of society threatened. What are we Christians doing about it? Many people have lost the sense of God. They have forgotten God. What we need is to "wake up!" forsake our evil ways, put away our false gods, and come back to the one true and living God. We need a spiritual redemption. A baptism of the Holy Ghost and fire, that will take all the world out of the Church.

Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That the only solution of our present day ills is in the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ.

2. That we live and teach undefiled religion in the home.

3. That we take our discipleship more seriously.

4. That we will read and study the Bible, looking for real spiritual guidance and inspiration.

5. That we will prove that we are followers of Christ by attending His worship in Sunday school and Church service.

6. That we keep the Sabbath Day holy in the sight of God.

7. That we, the Western North Carolina Congregational-Christian Conference, go on record as condemning the increasing use of liquor, and practical immorality which is wide-spread in our communities, and country as a whole, and that we ask our ministers to condemn the same from the pulpit.

M. A. POLLARD,

A. L. LUCAS,

Committee.

The Report of Committee on Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor was presented by Rev. M. A. Pollard. The report was discussed by Revs. M. A. Pollard, E. Carl Brady, S. M. Penn, W. C. Martin, O. D. Lawrence and Geo. T. Gunter and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

We, your Committee, appreciate all the work done by the Sunday schools and Christian Endeavor Societies of this Conference. However, we feel that our Sunday schools might be improved, and that there is a great need for the organization of more Christian Endeavor Societies.

Therefore, we recommend:

1. That an active worker be chosen by this Conference to interest the churches in all lines of young people's work. We feel that an active leader is badly needed.
2. That we rally to the support of our Sunday school, Christian Endeavor, and Pilgrim Fellowship work.
3. That our pastors and their churches organize Christian Endeavor societies in churches that have none. There are only seven societies or young people's organizations in this Conference.
4. That each Sunday school make a monthly offering to the Orphanage, to Missions, and a quarterly offering for Elon College.
5. That we avail ourselves of the services offered by our Board of Christian Education, make use of the materials offered, and that each church send them an annual offering to assist in their work.

M. A. POLLARD,
GEO. T. GUNTER,
Committee.

Henry Overman was elected leader of young people's work (as provided in Report of Committee on Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor, recommendation No. 1).

The Vice-President was called to the chair. Rev. E. Carl Brady reported for Committee on Education. Address, Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College. Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Education has to do with the preparation for life if we may agree on the definition of life. We may, at least say that education has to do with the whole of living. Unless the whole of life is trained, our education will be inadequate. According to one prominent educator, education is classified under four heads as follows: Primary, secondary, higher and highest. The last division has to do with religion. For life to be lived wholesomely and constructively, it must be trained in body, mind and soul. This done, strong Christian character will result.

If, therefore, education is necessary for secular pursuits, it necessarily follows that is far more important for our church people and indispensable for the ministry of our church. There is also the same need amongst our church laity and Sunday school teachers. We urge our conference to stress the importance of education in the leadership of the local church and of every department of the church and Conference. We need to study to show ourselves approved unto God. Then we may rightly divide the word of Life.

Elon College, this year, has an enrollment of more than 500. It also has a trained faculty. We commend it to our constituency. We are disloyal not to patronize it by sending our children to it as well as to withhold our finances from it.

Our recommendations to this session of Conference are as follows:

1. We urge our people to support Elon and cooperate with it in its program.
2. We urge our people to avail themselves of the opportunity that is offered them by the Leadership Training Conference held at Elon once each year.
3. We recommend that the ministers of this Conference, when possible, attend the Piedmont Ministers Association held at Elon College, on Monday after the second Sunday each month.
4. We recommend the Rural Pastor's School, made possible by Duke University, to our ministers.
5. We urge the Conference to do all in its power to promote peace and harmony among the membership of the Conference.
6. Rev. S. M. Penn asks for a letter of transfer from this Conference to the South Georgia Association. We recommend that this letter be granted him.

Respectfully submitted,

E. CARL BRADY,
M. A. POLLARD,
S. M. PENN,
A. L. LUCAS,

Committee.

Mrs. R. E. Caveness, district leader, gave a report on the Woman's Missionary Conference. On motion the Report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA WOMEN'S CONFERENCE OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY CONVENTION OF CONGRE- GATIONAL-CHRISTIAN CHURCHES.

The 25th Annual Session of the North Carolina Women's Conference met with the United Church at Raleigh on Tuesday, October 5, 1937. The attendance, the fellowship and the hospitality were most commendable, and the program, built around the theme: "Advancing With Christ," was inspirational and challenging.

Especially fine were the messages of Mrs. John G. Truitt, President of the Women's Missionary Convention; Dr. Atkinson, Mission Secretary; and Miss Jeannie L. Jillson, Missionary on furlough from Syria, the worship service by Mrs. W. H. Boone and the candle lighting Service of Remembrance by Mrs. Rowland. Beautiful and appropriate music was provided by members and organist of the United Church Choir.

District and departmental reports showed faithful stewardship and new courage.

Reports were received by our treasurer from 49 women's societies, 12 young people's, 5 willing workers and 8 cradle rolls. This is not nearly enough when we remember there are 129 churches in our missionary conference, so again our major project will be "organization in more churches." The remittance from these societies was \$3,850.73: \$199.77 from Western North Carolina, \$903.20 from Eastern North Carolina; and \$2,747.76 from North Carolina and Virginia. Other offerings raised the total to \$3,935.01.

In May of this year the women's organization of the Convention celebrated its 25th Anniversary with appropriate ceremonies at Suffolk, Virginia. A Silver Offering was received as a memorial to Dr. W. W. Staley, to be used in a mission project. The offering amounted to \$2,000, of which North Carolina contributed \$769.40. This fund is entirely separate from the money raised on apportionments.

The Conference wishes to acknowledge its gratitude for her fine and faithful service to the retiring president, Mrs. O. H. Paris.

MRS. J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
President.

Dr. S. C. Harrell announced that the Southern Convention would meet the last week in April, 1938, probably at Portsmouth, Virginia.

Report of Committee on Superannuation was given by Rev. John Q. Pugh. The report was discussed by Dr. S. C. Harrell, and then it was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

There is a great joy in preaching the Gospel; the man who has been called of God is happy in his tasks. He finds an increasing satisfaction in the accomplishments of his calling. To him it is a great disappointment to recognize physical disabilities. It is a real cross for a true minister to be compelled to stay out of his pulpit on account of illness or infirmity. It is a great disappointment to find himself without funds for the necessities of life. If he could labor he would rejoice in the privilege, but since he cannot labor he is dependent upon his brethren.

We, your committee, recommend the following:

1. That the following names be continued on our list: W. N. Hayes, Mrs. G. R. Underwood, Mrs. L. W. Fogleman, and G. O. Lankford.
2. That 20 per cent of our Conference Apportionment be set aside for old and aged ministers.
3. Since the apportionment for Superannuation is so small and hardly adequate at best to meet the needs, we urge that each church see to it that its full apportionment for this worthy cause be raised and sent in.
4. That all churches stress the Christmas offering (for aged ministers).
5. That on Communion day in all of our churches an offering be taken for Superannuation.

JOHN Q. PUGH,
I. H. FAUST,
T. B. Low,

Committee.

The Chairman appointed as a committee to nominate ministers as delegates to Southern Convention: I. H. Faust, Cyrus Shoffner, A. S. Layton. Committee to nominate laymen as delegates to Southern Convention: Revs. M. A. Pollard, D. R. Moffitt, B. H. Lowdermilk.

Dr. W. L. Beard was given permission to make a photograph of Conference in session.

On motion Conference adjourned to meet again at 1:15.

Benediction by Dr. L. E. Smith.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 1:15.

Song—"What A Friend We Have in Jesus." Rev. S. M. Penn conducted the Devotional Service.

Report of Committee on Home Missions was presented by Rev. J. M. Allred (in lieu of Rev. H. V. Cox). Motion made and seconded that Report be adopted. Report was discussed by Revs. E. Cary Brady, H. V. Cox, and L. E. Smith. Motion carried and Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Since our last report, our East Green High Point folks have erected a Church House, for which they are to be commended and the community proud of.

Your Board is of the opinion that the time has come for definite action in Home Mission work, if we are to hold our own, and enter new fields with our extension programs. In entering these new fields, we should realize that there are no more DeLuxe places to establish Churches. And when results are not obtained at once, we should not become discouraged.

For who knows but that we came to the Kingdom for such a time as this? And we should feel the more complimented for our undertaking for the Master in these hard places when we have succeeded.

There are many reasons why this Conference should become more intensely interested in the Home Mission work, some of which are as follows: (1) A true Christian spirit, prompts us to desire that all be saved; (2) All mankind needs the Gospel; (3) Christ can do for all what He has done for us; (4) Our Lord's program for His Church is to begin at (home) Jerusalem.

Therefore, your Committee recommends:

1. That the ministers of this Conference strive to develop in their own lives, and to emphasize in their ministry a greater spirit of Missions. One great need of our Conference we believe is a greater missionary atmosphere. Therefore, we urge the cooperation of both laymen and ministers, in this creation of a greater missionary atmosphere.

2. That special mission services be held in our Churches at least once a year, and an opportunity be given at these services for a special offering for Missions.

3. That Flint Hill (Moore County) and Bennett churches receive from the Home Missions Fund \$1.00 for every \$1.00 raised by the churches on payment of pastor's salary, not to exceed \$50 in each instance.

4. That High Point, East Green, Church shall receive aid at the discretion of the Home Missions Committee when they have secured a deed for the property on which the church has been built.

5. That Spoon's Chapel Church be aided when they have commenced their new building (this, too, to be left at the discretion of the Home Mission Committee and in proportion to Home Mission Fund).

H. V. COX,
T. J. GREENE,
J. M. ALLRED,

Committee.

Mrs. R. E. Caveness announced that the Missionary Rally for this district will be held in this church, Big Oak, next April. She extended a special invitation to the ministers to attend this rally, and urged them to give this worthy cause their support.

Report of Committee on Ministerial and Church Ethics was read by Rev. S. M. Penn. Discussion of Report by J. B. Cole, W. P. Copeland, Revs. T. J. Green, J. L. Foster, J. A. Denton, L. E. Smith, M. A. Pollard, and J. S. Carden. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL AND CHURCH ETHICS.

We, your Committee, offer the following report:

As the ministry is the highest and most holy calling of man, and the greatest privilege in the world, the minister's conduct should be of such ethical standard that it will impress and influence the people in the church and those outside, too. The minister must set a standard of conduct which exceeds that of the business world. He has his personal contacts with the churches and fellow-ministers which speaks of his high calling and must not betray that by failure to live up to that expectation.

We urge the minister to study the text book, the Bible, and to prepare himself

to preach the gospel with persuasive powers and that he be prepared to present the gospel intelligently.

We call on our church members to practice the same ethical standard of conduct, and practice in their relation to the sister churches, the ministry, and the Conference. That our churches respect and practice the five Christian principles accepted by our whole denomination.

The churches are urged to be on their guard against the services of outside preachers and teachers who would not be agreeable to our fellowship; and that we require certificates of good standing by those who may apply for membership in our conference.

Therefore, we recommend:

1. That the churches consider the matter of grouping themselves into convenient pastorates so as to have a pastor near in times of real need. This can only be brought about by the cooperation of the pastors and churches, but we might start by having a committee make suggested groups as is being done in other conferences.

2. That no pastor have more than four (4) independent churches, where services are held monthly, unless there be missionary points or weak churches that cannot procure pastors independently, within the bounds of the pastorate.

T. J. GREENE,
S. M. PENN,
E. CARL BRADY,

Committee.

Report of Committee on Apportionments was given by Cyrus Shoffner who urged each church to put forth every effort to raise the entire amount requested.

After the Report was discussed by Revs. S. C. Harrell and L. E. Smith, it was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We, your Committee, beg to report as follows:

Antioch (C)	\$ 35.00	New Center	\$ 50.00
Antioch (R)	30.00	Parks Cross Roads	80.00
Bailey's Grove	30.00	Patterson's Grove	30.00
Bennett	35.00	Pleasant Cross	45.00
Big Oak	50.00	Pleasant Grove	85.00
Biscoe	27.50	Pleasant Hill	85.00
Brown's Chapel	50.00	Pleasant Ridge	85.00
Ether	40.00	Pleasant Union	25.00
Flint Hill (M)	15.00	Providence Chapel	10.00
Flint Hill (R)	40.00	Ramseur	80.00
Glendon	50.00	Randleman	55.00
Grace's Chapel	40.00	Seagrove	45.00
Graham	50.00	Shady Grove	35.00
Graham, Prov. Memorial ..	50.00	Shiloh	50.00
Hamlet	10.00	Smithwood	50.00
Hank's Chapel	80.00	Sophia	50.00
High Point, First	50.00	Spoon's Chapel	25.00
High Point, East Green ..	10.00	Union Grove	50.00
Liberty	25.00	Zion	50.00
Mt. Pleasant	25.00		
Needham's Grove	25.00		
		Total	\$1,752.50

CYRUS SHOFFNER,
T. J. GREEN,
I. H. FAUST,
W. H. FREEMAN,

Committee.

Treasurer O. D. Lawrence made the following Report:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1936.		
Nov. 4	Balance in Treasury	\$ 60.84
Nov. 5	Collections from Churches	1,282.95
Total		\$1,343.79

DISBURSEMENTS.

Nov. 5	O. D. Lawrence, Treasurer	\$ 5.00
Nov. 12	Geo. T. Gunter, Secretary, salary, postage, etc.	27.00
Nov. 16	W. C. Wicker, (Treasurer, Southern Conv.) .	893.75
Nov. 16	J. O. Atkinson, for Home Missions	250.00
1937.		
Mar. 30	Central Pub. Co. (Annals)	97.50
Mar. 30	Geo. T. Gunter (Postage & envelopes)	4.15
		<hr/> \$1,277.40

Balance in Treasury		\$ 66.39
Nov. 10-11	By Collections from Churches	808.41

Balance in Treasury		\$ 874.80
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O. D. LAWRENCE,
Treasurer.

Motion made and carried that the report be adopted, subject to report of Finance Committee.

Rev. T. E. White reported for Committee on Finance:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee, have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and found them to be correct.

T. E. WHITE,
W. P. COPELAND,
W. H. FREEMAN,

Report was adopted.

Report of Committee on Resolutions was read by Rev. T. J. Green, and on motion was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We feel that we have had a profitable and inspirational session of Conference. Therefore, we recommend:

1. That we express by a rising vote of thanks our appreciation of the kindness and hospitality of Big Oak Church and community.

2. That we thank the Program Committee, and the presidents—Rev. T. E. White and Rev. E. Carl Brady—and all who had a part in carrying out the same, especially the visiting speakers; also the visiting ministers.

T. J. GREEN,
J. M. ALLRED,
G. M. TALLY,

Committee.

A rising vote of thanks was tendered the Big Oak Church and community for the way and manner in which they have entertained this session of Conference.

The following ministers were elected as delegates to the Southern Convention:

T. E. White, T. J. Green, M. A. Pollard, D. R. Moffitt, J. Q. Pugh, G. M. Tally, B. H. Lowdermilk, H. V. Cox, J. U. Fogleman, J. M. Allred, W. C. Martin.

The laymen, who were elected delegates, are as follows:

I. H. Faust, Henry, J. Overman, Cyrus Shoffner, W. P. Copeland, J. W. Cheek, Henry Scott, W. R. Rightsell, P. E. Coble, Howard Hammer, A. P. Gaster, W. R. Brown.

Rev. D. R. Moffitt, reporting for Committee on Place, stated the following churches had asked for the next conference: Seagrove, Bennett, Brown's Chapel, Pleasant Hill, Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Ridge, Graces Chapel. On motion our next Conference meets with Grace's Chapel Church, Sanford, North Carolina, Route 1.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees.

Executive Committee—Revs. E. Carl Brady, T. E. White, T. J. Green.

Home Missions—Revs. T. J. Green, H. V. Cox, J. M. Allred.

Foreign Missions—Revs. M. A. Pollard, A. L. Lucas, G. M. Tally.

Religious Literature—Revs. G. M. Tally, J. M. Allred, D. R. Moffitt.

Education—Revs. T. E. White, G. O. Lankford, M. A. Pollard.

Evangelism—Revs. J. M. Allred, B. H. Lowdermilk, A. L. Lucas.

Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor—Geo. T. Gunter, Alva Ashley, Rev. M. A. Pollard.

Social Service—Revs. A. L. Lucas, M. A. Pollard, J. U. Fogleman.

Apportionments—Cyrus Shoffner, I. H. Faust, W. H. Freeman.

Superannuation—Revs. J. Q. Pugh, D. R. Moffitt, P. E. Coble.

Program—Revs. E. C. Brady, T. J. Green, Geo. T. Gunter.

Ministerial and Church Ethics—Revs. T. J. Green, G. O. Lankford, T. E. White.

On motion, the apportionment of funds now on hand, was deferred to the Executive Committee.

Motion made and carried that our minutes be printed in the ANNUAL; that we secure 200 copies and distribute them on a pro rata basis.

Motion made and carried that the Secretary be paid \$25.00 for secretarial work; that the Treasurer be allowed \$5.00 for his services.

Rev. J. A. Denton (of the Eastern N. C. Conference, but serving some churches in this Conference), inquired just where our Conference stands on the merger question and stated that two of the churches in this conference served by him had voted to withdraw from the conference if the conference approved and was a part of the merger. If it does not approve the merger, and is not a part of it, they (the two churches) would continue a part of it. Brother Farrell (from Hank's Chapel) stated that the same conditions existed at Hank's Chapel. The matter was discussed by Revs. S. C. Harrel, L. E. Smith, J. A. Denton, J. L. Foster, and O. D. Lawrence.

Motion made and carried that a committee of five—two ministers, two laymen, and one laywoman—be appointed to discuss the matter

with the dissatisfied churches and make their report at the next session of Conference. The following were appointed: Rev. M. A. Pollard, Chairman; Rev. T. J. Green, O. D. Lawrence, W. H. Freeman and Mrs. I. H. Faust.

Minutes of the day were read and approved. Hymn—"Blest Be the Tie."

Motion made and carried that Conference adjourn to meet on Wednesday after first Sunday in November, 1938, at 10 o'clock in Grace's Chapel Christian Church, Sanford, North Carolina, Route 1.

Rev. G. M. Tally pronounced the Benediction.

REV. E. CARL BRADY, *President*,
Hemp, North Carolina.

GEORGE T. GUNTER, *Secretary*,
Asheboro, North Carolina.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

John M. Allred—Churches: Ether, Randleman, Union Grove, Flint Hill (M). Sermons, 80; conversions, 45; baptisms, 15; members received, 21; marriages, 6 pastoral visits, several; funerals, 13; salary, \$415.92.

E. Carl Brady—Churches: Brown's Chapel, Needham's Grove, Pleasant Cross. Sermons, 35; conversions, 100; members received, 48; marriages, 1; addresses, 1; baptisms, 25; pastoral visits, 100; funerals, several.

H. V. Cox—Churches: Hamlet, Bennett, Marston. Sermons, 62; professions, 46; salary, \$251.47.

W. J. Edwards—Church: East Green Street (High Point). Sermons, 104; conversions, 9; members received, 3; pastoral visits, several; funerals, 1; salary, \$86.88.

J. U. Fogleman—No Report.

Edward F. Green—Retired; sermons, 8.

T. J. Green—Churches: Mt. Bethel and Kallam Grove (both in N. C. & Va. Conference), Pleasant Grove. Sermons, 57; members received, 45; marriages, 1; baptisms, 39; pastoral visits, 125; funerals, 7; salary and offering, \$566.00.

G. O. Lankford—(No work because of physical disability); marriages, 4; addresses, 17; pastoral visits, 35; funerals, 6.

B. H. Lowdermilk—Churches: Pleasant Union and Spoon's Chapel. Sermons, 70; conversions, 25; marriages, 4; addresses, 5; baptisms, 5; pastoral visits, 60; funerals, 6; salary, \$131.33.

A. L. Lucas—Churches: Patterson's Grove and Providence Chapel. Sermons, 275; conversions, 15; members received, 2; marriages, 8; addresses, 4; pastoral visits, 400; funerals, 10; salary, \$200.00.

W. C. Martin—(No charge). Sermons, several; addresses, several; funerals, 2.

D. R. Moffitt—(No charge). Sermons, 8; funerals, 3.

Samuel M. Penn—Churches: Sophia, Flint Hill (R), and High Point. Sermons, 190; conversions, 7; members received, 14; marriages, 3; addresses, 6; baptisms, 8; pastoral visits, 480; funerals, 8.

M. A. Pollard—Churches: Smithwood, Liberty, Pleasant Hill. Sermons, 166; Conversions, 7; members received, 7; marriages, 4; addresses, 3; baptisms, 7; pastoral visits, 492; funerals, 15; salary, \$530.00.

John Q. Pugh—Churches: New Center, Bailey's Grove. Sermons, 106; conversions, 26; members received, 4; addresses, 12; pastoral visits, many; funerals, 3; salary, \$165.73.

G. M. Tally—Churches: Big Oak, Seagrove, Antioch (C), Antioch (R), Shiloh, Parks Cross Roads, Ramseur, Christian Chapel. Sermons, 209; conversions, 84; members received, 38; marriages, 1; baptisms, 17; pastoral visits, many; funerals, 15; salary, \$1,265.97.

T. E. White—Churches: Shady Grove and Biscoe. Sermons, 36; conversions, 4; members received, 3; marriages, 4; addresses, 4; baptisms, 3; funerals, 7; salary, \$140.00.

CHURCH STATISTICS—WESTER NORTH

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.	Conference Appointments.	Paid on Conference Appointments.
Antioch (C.)	G. M. Tally	Geanie Oldham, R. 2, Bear Creek, N. C.	90	90	\$ 35.00	\$ 6.00
Antioch (R.)	G. M. Tally	Annie E. Cain, R. 1, Ramseur, N. C.	73	70	30.00	15.10
Bailey's Grove	J. Q. Pugh	Pearl Allred, R. 2, Randleman, N. C.	37	39	30.00	9.70
Bennett	H. V. Cox	L. M. Murray, Bennett, N. C.	21	21	35.00	15.80
Big Oak	G. M. Tally	D. E. Cole, R. 1, Biscoe, N. C.	142	145	50.00	45.00
Biscoe	T. E. White	O. H. Lambert, Biscoe, N. C.	38	37	27.50	5.00
Brown's Chapel	E. Carl Brady	Iola McDuffie, Spies, N. C.	206	223	50.00	21.50
Ether	J. M. Allred	Mrs. C. C. Phillips, Ether, N. C.	98	98	40.00	15.00
Flint Hill (M.)	J. M. Allred	Mrs. John Staley, Star, N. C.	31	36	15.00	15.00
Flint Hill (R.)	S. M. Penn	No Report				
Grace's Chapel	J. A. Denton	Mrs. R. Foushee, R. 1, Sanford, N. C.	178	184	40.00	37.34
Graham	M. Stevens	No Report				
Graham-Prov.-Mem.	H. V. Cox	Mrs. Ella A. Holt, Graham, N. C.	60	57	50.00	12.00
Hamlet (East)	S. M. Penn	Eva Milliken, Hamlet, N. C.	43	35	10.00	10.00
High Point, First	S. M. Penn	Mrs. W. Wheless, 315 Park St., H. Point.	84	92	50.00	
High Pt., E. Green	W. J. Edwards	Garnett Barnes, 625 Cable St., H. Pt.	21	22	10.00	10.00
Liberty	M. A. Pollard	C. L. Bray, Liberty, N. C.	27	27	25.00	25.00
Mt. Pleasant	L. L. Wyrick	Z. V. Brooks, Vass, N. C., R. 2	80	82	25.00	12.55
Needham's Grove	E. Carl Brady	W. W. Ritter, R. 1, Steeds, N. C.	87	94	25.00	24.95
New Center	John Q. Pugh	Mrs. L. B. Craven, R. 1, Seagrove, N. C.	83	45	50.00	10.00
Parks Cross Roads	G. M. Tally	W. R. Rightsell, R. 2, Ramseur, N. C.	172	175	80.00	47.00
Patterson's Grove	A. L. Lucas	A. C. Chandler, Franklinville, N. C.	35	37	30.00	
Pleasant Cross	E. Carl Brady	J. Q. Pugh, R. 1, Ashboro, N. C.	71	89	45.00	28.54
Pleasant Grove	T. J. Green	J. M. Brown, Bennett, N. C.	291	308	85.00	29.03
Pleasant Hill	M. A. Pollard	P. E. Coble, R. 2, Liberty, N. C.	200	202	85.00	43.46
Pleasant Ridge	J. F. Apple	G. C. Craven, Ramseur, N. C.	154	163	85.00	85.00
Pleasant Union	B. H. Lowdermilk	Mrs. A. R. McDowell, Jackson Creek	38	37	25.00	
Providence Chapel	A. L. Lucas	Jason Moore, Hemp, N. C.	40	39	10.00	4.50
Ramseur	G. M. Tally	Mrs. Sue Grimes, Ramseur, N. C.	129	129	80.00	64.00
Randleman	J. M. Allred	W. G. Lamb, Randleman, N. C.	85	89	55.00	55.00
Seagrove	G. M. Tally	Mrs. Lena Flenniken, Seagrove, N. C.	49	54	45.00	35.36
Shiloh	G. M. Tally	M. E. P. Burroughs, Bennett, N. C.	113	120	50.00	40.00
Smithwood	M. A. Pollard	Thos. Lowe, R. 1, Liberty, N. C.	155	160	50.00	24.04
Spoon's Chapel	B. H. Lowdermilk	Mabel Ingold, Asheboro, N. C.	38	32	25.00	
Sophia	S. M. Penn	Troy Hall, Sophia, N. C.	52	60	50.00	7.50
Union Grove	J. M. Allred	W. R. Brown, Asheboro, N. C.	105	113	50.00	50.00
Zion		No Report				
Total			3126	3204	\$1447.50	\$ 803.51

NOTE.—Flint Hill (R.), Graham, Glendon, Hank's Chapel, and Zion did not send reports to the Secretary.

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Raised for Conference Home Missions.	Raised for Foreign Missions.	Raised for Elon College.	Raised for Superannuation.	Raised by Missionary Societies.	Raised for Orphanage.	Raised for Other Benevolences.	Raised by Sunday School.	Pastor's Salary.	Building, Debt and Current Expenses.	Grand Total.	Value of Church Property.
				\$ 35.00			\$ 15.00	\$ 65.55		\$ 121.55	\$ 1,500
					\$ 1.75		8.75	55.50	\$ 30.50	123.51	800
				5.00		\$ 1.50	36.00	90.00	89.87	232.12	1,000
	\$ 11.02				5.00		14.00	49.61	23.80	119.24	2,500
	6.62						129.90	171.59		353.11	500
		10.55	\$ 2.56	23.10	19.97	25.60	46.58	80.10	12.00	225.46	4,700
\$ 7.50	11.50					17.18	16.40	68.12		134.75	1,500
1.82	5.98			4.80	26.66		65.64	80.00	20.64	224.42	450
							21.21	28.30		71.13	500
	2.66				53.63	15.00	122.52	225.00	3850.00	4,268.81	5,000
							50.00	280.00		542.00	4,000
16.28					16.67			67.88	592.00	681.55	3,000
					16.98		38.70	210.00	277.80	559.76	2,250
					5.00		15.00	86.88	206.32	323.20	750
19.87		10.66			33.50		95.42	96.00		280.45	3,000
12.45		4.92	\$ 3.50		21.10	34.72		120.00	4.46	213.70	2,000
	8.27				13.03		35.95	45.95		128.15	
	10.91				1.51		5.26	75.73	36.00	139.41	700
16.50	16.50					27.00	95.41	200.00	40.00	442.41	4,000
							50.00	100.00	70.00	220.00	1,000
	12.00						47.36	102.50	26.21	216.61	2,000
					9.40		51.69	180.00		270.12	2,500
16.88	12.67	10.64		27.25	87.07	42.25	131.75	250.00	26.56	648.53	2,500
	10.66			6.00	18.70	120.58	299.20	318.80	46.31	820.25	3,000
							38.25	82.87		121.12	2,000
						25.00		100.00	18.00	147.50	1,500
	4.50			55.00			334.15	150.00	113.62	661.77	4,000
				5.00	11.00		225.00	205.00	135.00	415.50	3,000
	6.72				12.69		45.56	165.42	40.75	306.50	3,000
10.00							47.94	150.00	47.65	295.59	1,000
					12.12		54.00	194.00	36.00	320.16	6,500
					12.00	23.00	28.61	48.46	300.10	412.17	500
6.50	6.50						30.00	100.00	91.00	241.50	2,500
					21.10	40.00	65.70	102.50	67.50	356.85	1,250
\$ 107.80	\$ 140.06	\$ 28.78	\$ 3.50	\$ 161.15	\$ 398.88	\$ 371.83	\$2260.95	\$4345.76	\$6407.09	\$14,637.90	\$ 74,400

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—WESTERN N. C. CONFERENCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. on Cradle Roll.	No. of Pupils.	Total Enrollment.	Total Amount Raised.
Antioch (C.).....	Mrs. Carl Rives, Bear Creek, R. 2 . . .	8	75	83	\$	15.00
Antioch (R.).....	G. K. Needham, Bennett, Star Rt. . . .	14	113	127		39.28
Bailey's Grove . . .	Fred Smith, Asheboro, R. 1	6	64	70		36.00
Bennett	J. C. Phillips, Bennett	6	34	40		14.00
Big Oak	S. A. Stevens, Biscoe, R. 1	7	21	141		129.90
Biscoe	Rev. W. C. Martin, Biscoe	7	43	50		46.58
Brown's Chapel . .	J. W. H. Moore, Hemp	6	25	83	114	16.40
Ether	W. H. Freeman, Ether	7	43	50		65.64
Flint Hill (M.) . .	Clarence Hogan, Biscoe, R. 1	6	60	66		21.21
Flint Hill (R.) . .	(No Report)					
Glendon	(No Report)					
Grace's Chapel . .	J. H. Register, Sanford, R. 1	10	198	208		122.52
Graham	(No Report)					
Graham Prov. Mem.	Kendall Rich, Graham	8	72	80		50.00
Hamlet (East) . .	Horace McDuffie, Hamlet	6	86	92		84.35
Hanks' Chapel . .	(No Report)					
High Point First .	Lynn Dorsett, 331 Ennis St., H. Pt. . .	13	18	131	162	108.57
High Point East Green	C. L. Hunsucker, 406 Worth Ave. . . .	6	29	35		35.63
Liberty	C. L. Bray, Liberty	7	4	60	71	95.42
Mt. Pleasant . . .	E. M. Marks, Cameron, R. 2	6	79	85		59.15
Needham's Grove .	W. W. Ritter, Steeds, R. 1	8	107	115		35.95
New Center . . .	A. L. Davis, Seagrove, R. 1	5				5.26
Parks' Cross Roads .	Walter S. Cox, Ramseur, R. 2	8	15	100	123	95.41
Patterson's Grove .	Condary Chandler, Franklinville . . .	5	10	40	45	50.00
Pleasant Cross . .	D. G. Craven, Franklinville	8	67	75		47.36
Pleasant Grove . .	L. M. Presnell, Bennett	8	147	155		51.69
Pleasant Hill . . .	W. D. Hinshaw, Liberty, R. 2	10	175	227		299.56
Pleasant Ridge . .	W. E. Bean, Ramseur	16	4	127	147	299.20
Pleasant Union . .	Clarence Snider, Asheboro	11	55	66		38.25
Providence Chapel .	Thomas Moore, Hemp					
Ramseur	E. A. Cox, Ramseur	19	18	215	234	334.15
Randleman	W. G. Lamb, Randleman	8	117	125		225.00
Seagrove	O. D. Lawrence, Seagrove	6	16	51	57	45.56
Shiloh	N. L. Rumley, Bennett, Star Rt.	8	12	63	83	57.94
Smithwood	Thomas Lowe, Liberty, R. 1	8	120	128		45.15
Spoon's Chapel . .	Mrs. M. J. Smith, Asheboro, R. 1 . . .	6	60	66		28.61
Sophia	Mrs. O. J. Webster, Sophia	6	79	85		30.00
Union Grove . . .	G. C. Hardister, Asheboro, Star Rt. .	9	94	103		65.70
Zion	(No Report)					
Totals		272	143	2,900	3,308	\$ 2,694.44

Proceedings of the One Hundred and Twelfth Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL-CHRISTIAN CHURCH, REIDSVILLE, N. C.
NOVEMBER 16, 17, 18, 1937.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The One Hundred and Twelfth Annual session of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches met with the Congregational-Christian Church, Reidsville, N. C., on November 16, 1937, and was called to order at 10:00 A. M., by the President, Rev. G. C. Crutchfield.

The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. W. E. Wisseman, Mr. Wisseman taking the place of Dr. C. H. Rowland, who was unable to be present on account of sickness.

The roll call of ministers and churches showed a quorum present. The complete enrollment for the session was 18 ministers, 113 delegates, and 108 visitors.

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—Revs. J. F. Apple, D. J. Bowden, J. S. Carden, G. C. Crutchfield, B. J. Earp, O. A. Elmore, Stanley C. Harrell, W. M. Jay, J. H. Lightbourne, J. L. Neese, C. E. Newman, J. U. Newman, H. Shelton Smith, D. M. Spence, W. M. Stevens, W. E. Wisseman, Arnold Slater, L. L. Wyrick.

Licentiates—E. J. Sanderson, I. T. Underwood.

Churches and Delegates.

Albemarle—Jack McSwain, Mrs. C. H. Hatley, Mrs. S. A. Morton.

Apple's Chapel—Miss Doris McIntyre, Mrs. R. E. Apple, J. A. Troutman, Mrs. J. A. Troutman.

Asheville—Rev. Samuel M. Johnson.

Belew Creek—Mrs. Gid Mabe, A. W. Preston, Mrs. Irwin Neal, Mrs. H. C. Murray.

Berea—W. D. Warren, Mrs. S. A. Shatterly.

Bethel—Miss Grace W. Paige, Robert Hooper, Miss Louise King.

Bethlehem—Mrs. Claude L. Simpson, Miss Mabel Somers, A. C. Madren, Clyde Iseley.

Burlington—E. B. Rascoe, J. H. Iseley, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Mrs. W. W. Horne, Miss Tora Rudd.

Carolina—Mrs. L. H. Thomas, Mrs. E. D. Paylor.

Concord—Miss Annie Aldridge, Mrs. Sallie Tate, Miss Ida Anderson.

Danville—Rev. M. T. Sorrell, Mrs. L. C. Ragsdale, Mrs. Daniel Marshall, Mrs. B. Bernard.

Durham—Mrs. J. R. Beck, Mrs. D. M. Estes, Miss Kathleen Glenn, W. H. Elder.

Elk Spur—By letter.

Elon College—Chas. D. Johnston, J. C. McAdams, Mrs. W. P. Lawrence, Miss Ann Watson.

Greensboro, First—H. V. Simpson, Mrs. J. R. Foster, Mrs. Grace Stewart, Mrs. J. E. Murray, E. C. York.

Greensboro, Palm St.—Mrs. W. E. Hinshaw, Mrs. W. F. Worsham, Mrs. P. R. Hall, Lewis Creed.

Happy Home—E. B. Gillis, Mrs. T. F. Dye, J. H. Richmond, J. H. Cox, Mrs. J. H. Cox.

Haw River—Miss Emma Thomas.

Hebron—By letter.

Hines' Chapel—H. S. Lowe, R. W. Iseley, Mrs. R. W. Iseley, A. D. Gerringer.

Hopedale—E. L. Maness, C. B. Sumner, J. W. Squires, Mrs. J. W. Squires, Mrs. W. I. Faulkner.

Howard's Chapel—J. C. Madison.

Ingram—Mrs. G. I. Satterfield, G. I. Satterfield, Mrs. W. J. Whitlow, L. E. Carlton.

Ivy Hill—By letter.

Kallam Grove—N. G. Joyner, Ivie A. Washburn.

Lebanon—Miss Rennie Taylor, Miss Narvie Lee Scott.

Liberty—By letter.

Long's Chapel—Mrs. J. Walter Johnston, Mrs. J. A. Wyatte, W. E. Barnette.

Lynchburg—W. T. Dunn, A. S. Dunn.

Monticello—J. E. Cumbie, Mrs. J. E. Cumbie, Mrs. Francis Faucette.

Mt. Bethel—Mrs. J. T. Stewart, Miss Ethel Friddle, Mrs. Della Baker, Leonard Rippey.

Mt. Zion—Miss Georgie Bradley, Mrs. J. G. Holt, Zeb H. Lynch, Mrs. Will Tate.

New Hope—No Report.

New Lebanon—Miss Laura Sharpe, Mrs. Mollie Sharpe, Miss Numa Comer, Miss Iva Sharpe.

Pleasant Grove—Mrs. W. J. Pierce.

Pleasant Ridge—J. H. Crutchfield, D. R. Pegram.

Reidsville—E. L. Andrews, J. H. Turner, D. H. Haizlip, Kemp L. Smith.

Rocky Ford—By letter.

Sallem Chapel—C. M. Marshall, Mrs. C. M. Marshall, Miss Frankye Marshall.

Salisbury—No report.

Shallow Ford—O. B. Pitts, W. E. Walker, Mrs. W. E. Walker, Mrs. O. B. Pitts.

Tryon, Erskine Memorial—By letter.

Union (N. C.)—J. H. Wilkins, Mrs. Preston Boswell.

Union (Va.)—By letter.

Winston-Salem—Mrs. W. M. Jay, Mrs. Kate E. Thompson.

The Program Committee submitted the printed program as its report. On motion it was adopted as the order of business for the session, subject to such changes as Conference may find necessary.

The Executive Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The last session of Conference instructed the Executive Committee to cooperate with Brother L. M. Clymer, in placing at the grave of Dr. J. W. Wellons a marker that would set forth the salient facts of his life. Upon investigation it was found that a stone to be placed at the foot of the grave bearing suitable inscription could be procured for \$30.00 plus sales tax. The Executive Committee authorized the purchase of such a marker to be paid for from the Conference Fund. The marker has been prepared and placed at the grave, and bill for the same has been paid.

Rev. B. H. Watkins has been serving a charge in the Eastern Virginia Conference during the past year. He requested a letter of transfer to that Conference in advance of its recent session, that he might be enrolled as a member during the session. The Executive Committee approved the request and granted the letter of transfer.

Rev. Roy D. Coulter was granted a letter of transfer to the Virginia Valley Central Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches, by the Executive Committee.

G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,
W. E. WISEMAN,
STANLEY C. HARRELL,
Committee.

On motion the Report of the Executive Committee was adopted.
The Report of the Treasurer was submitted as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

FOR THE CONFERENCE YEAR 1936-1937.

Balance on Hand, Nov. 1, 1936	\$ 494.11	
Received from Collectors, 1936 session	4,120.82	
Received from Danville Church, Aug., 1937	75.10	
Received from Winston-Salem Church, Oct., 1937	16.50	
Received for Interest	13.10	
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		\$4,719.63

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treasurer, Publication Fund	\$ 750.00	
To Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treasurer, Convention Fund	2,903.57	
To Stanley C. Harrell, Secretary of Work	25.00	
To Christian Missionary Association for Home Missions .	300.00	
To Central Publishing Co., for ANNUALS	97.50	
To Miss Roberta Murray, Treas. for Youth Fellowship .	25.00	
To Rowe and Roach Co., Greensboro, for Dr. Wellons' Marker	30.90	
To Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Treas. for Christian Missionary Association	50.00	
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		\$4,181.97

Balance Cash on hand	\$ 537.66	
Reserved for Ministerial Education Fund (Including \$10.00 interest for 1937)	410.00	
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Balance Cash on hand for Conference Fund \$ 127.66

W. WALDO BOONE,
Treasurer.

On motion the Report of the Treasurer was referred to the Finance Committee.

The following Special Committees were appointed:

Nominations—Rev. C. E. Newman, H. V. Simpson, Clyde Isley, Rev. J. F. Apple, Rev. B. J. Earp, C. D. Johnston.

Press—Revs. W. E. Wiseman, W. M. Jay, W. M. Stevens.

Place—Rev. J. E. Neese, J. H. Wilkins, Miss Mable Somers.

Resolutions—Rev. L. L. Wyrick, Zeb H. Lynch, Mrs. Grace Stewart.

Collectors—H. V. Simpson, W. T. Dunn.

Memoirs—Rev. J. H. Lightbourne.

Finance—J. C. McAdams, Rev. D. M. Spence, Rev. O. A. Elmore.

Rev. J. H. Abernathy of M. P. Church, Revs. J. L. Foster and J. E. Neese of the Eastern North Carolina Conference. Rev. F. C. Lester of the Eastern Virginia Conference, Dr. G. O. Lankford of the Western North Carolina Conference, Rev. G. H. Veasey of the East Alabama Association, and Rev. Willard L. Beard of Foochow, China, were presented to Conference and seated as deliberative members.

A letter of transfer from the Congregational Conference of the Carolinas, signed by Milo J. Sweet, Registrar, for the Congregational Church, Albemarle, N. C., was presented to Conference with the request that the Albemarle Church be received into Conference fellowship.

It was moved and carried that the request be granted, the Albemarle Church be enrolled as a member of Conference, and the delegates seated when they shall arrive.

The Report of the Committee on Ministerial Ethics was presented as follows, by Rev. D. M. Spence, Chairman:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL ETHICS.

Realizing that the Ministry is God's high calling to men, and that through the ministry the Gospel of Christ is proclaimed at home and abroad. We, therefore, recommend:

1. Regarding the minister's personal life, he should have high ideals, and by word, habit and deed measure up to the high standard expected of the ministry.

2. The minister should recognize his obligations to his local church, to his denomination, and to the entire community, and therefore endeavor to render the largest possible service.

3. That ministers in their contacts one with another, and in offering criticism of another, should be careful to observe the ethics of the high calling that they represent.

4. Realizing the need of maintaining a high standard, that the Conference carefully consider the qualifications of all candidates for the ministry, that only the worthy be admitted.

On motion the Report was adopted.

The Report of the Committee on Religious Literature was presented as follows, by Rev. W. M. Stevens:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

It is an accepted fact that one's physical development depends very much on one's diet. Likewise, one's mental and spiritual development depends to a great degree on one's mental diet. All cake and no spinach will make a very poor physical specimen. Feeding our minds on the "Comics" and neglecting the higher literature will result in very shallow minds, and shallow minds make

a very poor and non-progressive society. This is to say that we need a variety of sound thought with which to feed our minds and souls. We feel that *The Christian Sun*, the *Advance*, and the *Missionary Herald* furnish us with this desired mental diet which is conducive to the formation of a Christian perspective on life. Why not use them?

Moreover, it is an easy matter for one to run off on a so-called religious tangent and miss the true significance of Christian teachings. We should not confine our study to either the so-called Liberal Commentaries nor to the so-called Conservative reactions to problems. We should rather endeavor to get at the truth. It is the opinion of your committee that this is the aim of our Denominational Literature. Therefore, we would urge the Sunday schools and Churches of our Conference to use the Publications of our Boards. Often times there is more religious or spiritual poison in a so-called Sunday school publication, published for commercial purposes, than there is physical poison in a spoiled can of cheap food produced with only one thought in mind, namely that of "getting the dollar." We must be careful of what we feed our souls, because every so-called religious publication is not "Divine" as we humans are sometimes inclined to think.

In view of the above we recommend:

1. That the Literature Committee in the Churches be continued, and those churches which have not appointed, or elected such committee, do so.

2. That the pastor of each church within our Conference appoint, as soon as it is possible, a member of his church, or his congregation, to act as agent for *The Christian Sun*, and that the name of the appointee be forwarded to Rev. F. C. Lester, editor, that they may work together in securing new and renewal subscriptions to *The Christian Sun*.

Respectfully submitted,

W. MILLARD STEVENS,

B. J. EARP,

Committee.

Discussion led by Rev. F. C. Lester.

By vote the Report on Religious Literature was adopted.

Rev. G. C. Crutchfield delivered the Conference Presidential Address, using as his theme: "The Gospel of Thoroughness."

Conference adjourned for lunch.

Benediction by Dr. W. M. Jay.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:45 P. M.

Devotional Service conducted by Rev. W. E. Wiseman.

On motion President L. E. Smith and Rev. J. Howard Smith were seated as deliberative members of Conference.

Moved and carried that the Conference send words of greeting to Dr. J. O. Atkinson and Dr. C. H. Rowland, and express the regret of the Conference that these brethren are unable to attend the present session.

The Report on Christian Education was presented as follows, by Rev. W. E. Wiseman, Chairman:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH SCHOOL AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

The Elon Training School was well attended by students from all Conferences of the Convention. This school is exerting a very wholesome influence throughout the Convention. Churches should invest in this school by sending young people there.

The Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention met at the Bethlehem Church. An excellent program was presented. We deeply regret that so few leaders of the Church Schools and Endeavor Societies were in attendance.

Daily Vacation Bible Schools were conducted in many of our Churches. This is a worthwhile undertaking. A number of churches had Student Summer Service Workers come in and conduct the school.

A state Pilgrim Fellowship meeting was held at Sanford on the week-end of October 31st. This is a splendid undertaking and our Christian Endeavors are moving toward a united Pilgrim Fellowship for North Carolina.

We, the Committee, recommend the following:

1. That we give our support to the Elon Training School. That every Church School and Endeavor Society enroll as many young people as possible in this school. And that local Training Classes be conducted whenever possible.

2. That we rally to the support of the Church School and Christian Endeavor Convention, urging the officers and teachers to attend.

3. That we conduct Daily Vacation Bible School wherever possible. That churches take advantage of the help offered by the Student Summer Service Workers.

4. Set a goal for a missionary project in each local young people's group and promote the idea of a state-wide or conference-wide missionary project.

5. Support the Conference Pilgrim Fellowship by attendance at conferences, keeping a lively key-worker on the mailing list, and sending \$1.00 per year to the Treasurer from each young people's group.

6. Support the National Pilgrim Fellowship by sending our state delegates and alternates to the National Council Meeting in Rockford, Illinois, next June.

7. Support S. C. Pilgrim Fellowship by attendance at the Christmas Holiday Conference to be held in Greensboro, December 28-30th.

8. Strive for an efficient, well-rounded, consecrated local young people's group by variety in programs—including worship, mission, social action and personal problems—and variety in activities.

9. Each local group keep in contact with current material for use in programs, etc., through suggestions given out by department heads, *The Christian Sun*, and the *Pilgrim Highroad*.

10. Recommend the use of the magazine *Social Action* for reference and study on present-day problems.

The discussion of the Report was led by Mr. Wisseman.

By vote the Report was adopted as presented.

A presentation of the work of the Christian Orphanage was made by Superintendent Chas. D. Johnston.

Rev. J. Everette Neese read the Report of the Committee on Evangelism, for his father, Rev. J. L. Neese, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

We, your Committee on Evangelism wish to submit the following report:

Evangelism means the putting forth of a definite effort for the spread of the Gospel of Christ. We realize that the spirit of evangelism has spread rapidly in our Conference during the past few years, and we earnestly beseech all members to be instant in and out of season, so that Christ and His program for the individual life may be known to more before the close of another year.

Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That during this year we place special emphasis on this phase of our work by encouraging local churches, Sunday schools and Summer Training classes to study how evangelism may be effectively placed before the people.

2. That the idea of Personal Evangelism be constantly placed before the minds and hearts of the people in order that each may be a worthy disciple.

3. That Personal Evangelism be not the task of the pastor alone, but a task in which all Christians should engage.

4. That personal Evangelism carry with it a supplementary program in the form of an extensive evangelistic effort to bring souls to Christ and to the Church.

5. We recommend that all pastors of this Conference plan well in advance for their evangelistic campaigns.

6. That special emphasis be placed upon the winning of souls to Christ in our churches during the Lenten Season.

After discussion the Report on Evangelism was adopted by motion.
The Entertainment Committee made report.

Conference adjourned.

Benediction by Dr. W. M. Jay.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Worship Service was conducted by the World Friendship Missionary Society of the Burlington Christian Church.

Dr. J. H. Lightbourne introduced Dr. Willard L. Beard as the speaker of the evening. Dr. Beard used as his subject: "Glimpses of the Missionary at Work."

Benediction by Rev. F. C. Lester.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:30.

Devotional Service led by Rev. W. E. Wisseman.

Prayer by Rev. M. S. Huske.

Letters of greeting were read from Rev. W. T. Scott and Dr. W. C. Wicker.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

Enrollment of delegates.

The Nominating Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

President—Rev. G. C. Crutchfield.

Vice-President—Rev. W. E. Wisseman.

Secretary—Rev. Stanley C. Harrell.

Assistant Secretary—Rev. John R. Chapman.

Treasurer—Dr. W. Waldo Boone.

Song Leader—Rev. J. L. Neese.

Home Mission Board—Rev. J. H. Lightbourne, Rev. G. C. Crutchfield (ex officio), Rev. Stanley C. Harrell, Rev. J. O. Atkinson, Zeb H. Lynch, Mrs. C. H. Rowland.

Delegates to the Southern Convention:

Ministerial—Revs. J. F. Apple, J. O. Atkinson, D. J. Bowden, J. S. Carden, John R. Chapman, G. C. Crutchfield, B. J. Earp, S. C. Harrell, J. H. Lightbourne, J. L. Neese, C. E. Newman, C. H. Rowland, H. Shelton Smith, D. M. Spence, W. M. Stevens, W. E. Wisseman, L. L. Wyrick, J. U. Newman, W. M. Jay.

Lay—C. D. Johnston, Elon College, N. C.; W. T. Dunn, Lynchburg, Va.; Zeb H. Lynch, Mebane, N. C.; L. E. Carlton, Paces, Va.; Mrs. L. E. Carlton, Paces, Va.; H. V. Simpson, Greensboro, N. C.; Dr. W. Waldo Boone, Durham, N. C.; Miss Emma Thomas, Haw River, N. C.; Mrs. T. W. Chandler, Virgilina, Va.; Miss Vera Gerringer, Brown Summit, N. C.; D. H. Haizlip, Reidsville, N. C.; J. C. McAdams, Elon College, N. C.; J. H. Richmond,

Ruffin, N. C.; Miss Frankye Marshall, Walnut Cove, N. C.; Mrs. J. P. Barrett, Elon College, N. C.; Lewis Creed, Greensboro, N. C.; Egbert Truitt, Burlington, N. C.; Mrs. W. M. Jay, Winston-Salem, N. C.; Mrs. Edd Mitchell, Reidsville, N. C.

C. E. NEWMAN,
B. J. EARP,
H. V. SIMPSON,
J. F. APPLE,
CLYDE ISELEY,
C. D. JOHNSTON,
Committee.

On motion the Report of the Nominating Committee was adopted and the Secretary of the Conference instructed to cast the ballot of the Conference in favor of the nominees.

The Secretary cast the ballot of Conference as directed and the nominees were declared elected.

Rev. M. S. Huske, Pastor of the Reidsville Presbyterian Church, Rev. W. A. Way of Pilgrim Church, Greensboro, and Rev. S. E. Madren of the Eastern North Carolina Conference were seated as deliberative members.

The Report of the Committee on Moral Reform was read by Rev. L. L. Wyrick.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

Be it recommended that:

1. Churches and individuals become gospel empowered peacemakers, using among others, the following methods:
 - a. Ridding ourselves of hypocrisy.
 - b. Peace education and prayer, never forgetting to love our enemy while hating the war system.
 - c. Refusal to go to war across the boundaries of our country.
 - d. Neutrality legislation, seeking to limit the area and duration of conflict.
 - e. World economic cooperation and adjustment.
 - f. Formulation of a world federation for settling disputes without resort to force.
2. Community social service is not sufficient and the churches should wake up to their responsibilities in "bearing one another's burdens":
 - a. By beginning at home and caring for all under its pastoral care.
 - b. By helping make provision for the hungry, unclothed, needy people in its own neighborhood.
 - c. That work be provided and that relief be discouraged except through self-respecting work.
 - d. That the right approach to this will greatly open the way for a spiritual ministry which reaches the whole man.
3. That we reach both the liquor trade and those overcome by drink and constrain them by the power of the gospel.
4. That we always keep in mind that it is men we are trying to change, first, last and always. We are for anything that lifts men nearer God, and against anything taking them further from Him.
5. That we not become "weary in well-doing." Corruption and evil are organized, and are working day and night. Sermons and church services may help a great deal. The cause of Christ will never prevail if this is the central emphasis of the church. The gospel must be taken to the source of the disease. Evil will not come to the church to be sanctified. The church must go where the evil is, to transform it.
6. That most of our churches are too stiff and frail to function because they

go along in the same way year after year, without regard to changed conditions. The church must loose its life for the sake of others.

7. That churches and religious groups cease making pious resolutions which they do not intend to carry out. That they cease wasting ammunition on the lesser evils and launch out to strike at what effects the destiny of men's souls.

JOHN R. CHAPMAN,

L. L. WYRICK,

Committee.

Discussion of the Report was led by Rev. J. S. Carden.

On motion the Report on Moral Reform was adopted.

The Report of the Woman's Mission Conference was presented by Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, President.

REPORT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA WOMEN'S CONFERENCE OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY CONVENTION OF CONGREGATIONAL-CHRISTIAN CHURCHES.

The 25th Annual Session of the North Carolina Women's Conference met with the United Church at Raleigh, on Tuesday, October 5, 1937. The attendance, the fellowship and the hospitality were most commendable, and the program, built around the theme "Advancing with Christ," was inspirational and challenging.

Especially fine were the messages of Mrs. John G. Truitt, President of the Women's Missionary Convention; Dr. Atkinson, Mission Secretary; and Miss Jeannie L. Jillson, Missionary on furlough from Syria; the worship service by Mrs. W. H. Boone, and the Candle Lighting Service of Remembrance by Mrs. Rowland. Beautiful and appropriate music was provided by members and organist of the United Church choir.

District and Departmental Reports showed faithful stewardship and new courage.

Reports were received by our treasurer from 49 womens' societies, 12 young peoples', 5 willing workers and 8 cradle rolls. This is not nearly enough when we remember there are 129 churches in our missionary conference territory, so again our major project will be "organizations in more churches." The remittance from these societies was \$3,850.73—\$199.77 from Western North Carolina, \$903.20 from Eastern North Carolina and \$2,747.76 from North Carolina and Virginia. Other offerings raised the total to \$3,935.01.

In May of this year the women's organization of the Convention celebrated its 25th Anniversary with appropriate ceremonies at Suffolk, Virginia. A Silver Offering was received as a memorial to Dr. W. W. Staley, to be used in a mission project. The offering amounted to \$2,000, of which North Carolina contributed \$769.40. This fund is entirely separate from the money raised on apportionments.

An invitation was accepted to Parks Cross Roads Church, Western North Carolina, for our meeting in 1938.

The several conferences of the convention are cooperating with Mrs. John G. Truitt, Convention President, in the new Year Book, which will include all the conferences, and unify and strengthen greatly the work of the whole body.

The North Carolina Conference wishes to acknowledge its gratitude for her fine and faithful service to the retiring president, Mrs. O. H. Paris.

MRS. J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
President.

On motion the Report was adopted.

The Report of the Committee on Apportionments was presented as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS—1938.

	Convention Missions	Foreign Missions	Convention Fund	Elon College Fund	Superannuated Fund	Christian Education	Conference Fund	Orphanage	TOTAL
Albemarle	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 2.50	\$ 7.50	\$ 20.00	\$ 85.00
Apple's Chapel ..	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Asheville	18.00	18.00	18.00	45.00	9.00	4.50	10.00	25.00	147.50
Belews Creek ...	11.20	11.20	11.20	28.00	5.60	2.80	4.50	28.00	102.50
Berea	27.20	27.20	27.20	68.00	13.60	6.80	10.50	68.00	248.50
Bethel	28.80	28.80	28.80	72.00	13.60	6.80	11.00	72.00	261.80
Bethlehem	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Burlington	140.00	400.00	140.00	400.00	100.00	45.00	75.00	2400.00	3,700.00
Carolina	8.00	8.00	8.00	20.00	4.00	2.00	4.00	20.00	74.00
Concord	16.00	16.00	16.00	40.00	8.00	4.00	6.50	40.00	146.50
Danville	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	175.00	408.50
Durham	184.00	184.00	184.00	460.00	92.00	46.00	72.00	350.00	1,572.00
Elk Spur	4.80	4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	2.00	12.00	44.00
Elon College ...	128.00	128.00	128.00	320.00	64.00	32.00	50.00	200.00	1,050.00
Greensboro: First	160.00	160.00	160.00	400.00	80.00	40.00	65.00	200.00	1,265.00
Palm Street ..	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Happy Home ..	27.20	27.20	27.20	68.00	13.60	6.80	10.50	125.00	305.50
Haw River	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	70.00	303.50
Hebron	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Hines Chapel ..	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Hopedale	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	24.00	88.00
Howards Chapel	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	24.00	88.00
Ingram	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	225.00	458.50
Ivy Hill	2.40	2.40	2.40	6.00	1.20	.60	1.00	6.00	22.00
Lebanon	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	24.00	88.00
Liberty	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Longs Chapel ..	16.00	16.00	16.00	40.00	8.00	4.00	6.50	40.00	146.50
Lynchburg	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Monticello	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	60.00	187.50
Mt. Bethel	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Mt. Zion	4.80	4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	2.00	12.00	44.00
New Hope	22.40	22.40	22.40	56.00	11.20	5.60	9.00	125.00	274.00
Pleasant Grove ..	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	60.00	293.50
Pleasant Ridge ..	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Reidsville	52.80	52.80	52.80	132.00	26.40	13.20	20.00	150.00	500.00
Rocky Ford	4.80	4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	2.00	12.00	44.00
Salem Chapel ..	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Salisbury	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	24.00	88.00
Shallow Ford ..	22.40	22.40	22.40	56.00	11.20	5.60	9.00	60.00	209.00
Tryon	43.20	43.20	43.20	108.00	21.60	10.80	10.00	30.00	310.00
Union (N. C.) ..	27.20	27.20	27.20	68.00	13.60	6.80	10.50	68.00	248.50
Union (Va.) ...	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Winston-Salem ..	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.50	24.00	88.50

Totals \$1493.60 \$1753.60 \$1493.60 \$3779.00 \$776.00 \$383.00 \$607.00 \$5616.00 \$15,901.80

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. D. JOHNSTON,
J. F. APPLE,

CLYDE ISELEY,
S. D. SCOTT,
Committee.

On motion the Report on Apportionments was adopted with the provision that the Secretary work out with the Albemarle Church a list of apportionments for that Church, and include it in the Report.

The Report of the Home Mission Board was presented as follows:

REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD.

There must be a re-thinking of our home missionary program, and a corresponding reaction there-to, if we hope to make our work as effective as it ought to be. All too long have we, as a church, been contented with good enough, and satisfied with a ministry whose contribution goes scarcely beyond preaching values. We must never fail to recognize the importance of preaching, for, "By the foolishness of preaching God has chosen to save the world." There are other contributions, however, which the minister has to make. His influence is greatly needed in the home, in the sick room, and in the hearts of grief-stricken folk. Here he has a service to render that is high and beautiful. When a church fails to get this type of ministerial service, the community and the church suffers no small loss.

Our church has forced it ministry to stretch itself out, through trying to cover an all too great territory. Now the reaction has come. Throughout our Conference there is a dissatisfaction because we have not grown as rapidly as we should have. Now the Conference has seen and felt this situation, and is wisely endeavoring to remedy it. This Board was charged by the last session of Conference with the responsibility of grouping the churches into convenient pastorates. This was done, not by the Board alone, but in conference with nearly all the ministers of this Conference and with the approval of all. *The Christian Sun* carried the report of our joint meeting, and also the proposed groups. So far as it is known to this Board, only one of the proposed groups has perfected its set-up and is now a working unit. This group is composed of Belew Creek, Pleasant Ridge and Salem Chapel churches. Nearly all others have accepted the plan in part. Let us hope that the time is not far-distant when the plan will be one hundred per cent effective.

The home missionary work in the Conference has during the year been in the hands of the Christian Missionary Association. Through it we have lent a helping hand to the Winston-Salem work, and have aided Belew Creek to erect a much needed church building. This association could do a great work in this Conference if it had the backing of our people. It is as you know a purely monetary organization. It takes a five dollar bill to turn the key that opens the door. Will you knock today? Go home and stir up your church, Sunday school and organized classes, and send to Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, our financial secretary, a fine group of memberships.

Therefore, be it resolved.

1. That we as a Conference, as well as individuals, indorse the C. M. A. and give it our best support, in prayers and in financial support.

2. That we renew our faith and interest in the grouping of our churches into convenient pastorates, and encourage our churches to increase their contributions, so that the minister may have a reasonable living.

3. That we register our protest against any minister accepting more than three churches as a pastorate, unless they be unable to compensate him with a reasonable livelihood. In any case he should not accept over four.

4. That the Home Mission Committee serve as a clearing house for churches seeking a pastor, and for ministers who are open for work.

G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,
H. V. SIMPSON,
STANLEY C. HARRELL,
Committee.

By motion the Report of the Home Mission Board was adopted, with the request that the Board bring in a supplemental report setting

forth what was done in the grouping of the churches as directed by Conference at its last session.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was presented by Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Hardly could one be found who would question the statement we are living in a demoralized and chaotic world. Order has not come to us out of the disorder of the World War; and peace has not come to us out of the war to end war. For us Christians the last two decades have made an immense task more immense.

However, this can be pointed out: We are tremendously concerned today by certain attitudes and actions in the world which several decades ago would not have especially concerned us, in which we might even have participated. Today we are terming these attitudes and actions un-Christian. Our idealism has grown and our idealism lives. Conscious of futilities; we are conscious of responsibilities. We can not close our eyes on an outraged Ethiopia; nor stop our ears to the cries of an agonizing China. These events outrage and agonize us. We wonder what will happen next while we see in what has happened atavistic trends in a world we would have advancing to better and higher civilizations.

We sense some things can be done through diplomacy. Some desired ends can be secured through the agencies of force and law. But as Christians our hopes outreach the possibilities of force and law. We think in terms of a civilization in which righteousness is voluntary. We think of achieving such a civilization not through force or law but through the royal law of love; the love of Christ which passeth knowledge. Over against the thought of force and law we would put the thought of idealism, brotherly love and Christian intelligence.

A principal function of the Church is to foster the idealism, the brotherliness, the intelligence and the love of Christ. The field of this function is as large as the world is large in terms of human presence and need. Where people live and how people live define the boundaries of our Christian function. It begins at home and spreads off and out everywhere. Everywhere men have gone and into everything men have gotten it goes.

So long as there are unpossessed fields our task remains unfinished. The command has been given once and for all; until the last stronghold falls we are commissioned to go into all the world. The areas of the world stretch out before us beginning at our very door. We should begin at our very door and go out as far as the areas stretch. The Foreign Mission is simply the line extended. In the World War a line of trenches stretched across Europe from the sea to the Alps. For us our line of Christian offensive stretches out and off so that every area of land and sea and human life is reached and touched.

This is our Foreign Mission report. There isn't any argument about it; just a job to be done. We, as a Conference have our part. I am afraid we are not going at it any too enthusiastically; nor doing it any too well. But we are doing something. May we covenant together that that something shall not be lost but increased.

We would recommend the following:

1. That each church receive through the Sunday school an offering each third Sunday for missions.
2. That each church seek to have its women organized into a Woman's Missionary Society.
3. That every pastor see to it his church or churches receive much missionary instruction.
4. That our statistical tables credit to missionary giving by the churches the sums raised by the Missionary societies.

5. That we undertake to have a general fund from which appropriations could be made to those institutions and organizations whose apportionments have not been met.

J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
MRS. W. P. LAWRENCE,
MRS. STANLEY C. HARRELL,
MRS. E. J. SANDERSON,
Committee.

Pending the vote on the Report, Dr. Willard L. Beard addressed the Conference on "The Makers of the New China."

By vote the Report was adopted with the exception of Recommendation 5, which was referred to the Executive Committee for consideration.

Conference adjourned for lunch.

Benediction by Mr. C. L. Moody.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:45.

Devotional Service led by Rev. W. E. Wisseman.

Prayer by Rev. Samuel M. Johnson.

Mr. L. M. Clymer reported to Conference that the late Dr. J. W. Wellons bequeathed his watch to a relative whom the executor of Dr. Wellons' will has never been able to locate. The executor is turning the watch over to the North Carolina and Virginia Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches.

It was moved and carried that the watch be accepted in the name of the Conference, and that it be placed in a suitable case bearing the proper inscription, and that it be placed in the Church History Room of the Library at Elon College.

The Report of the Committee on Stewardship was presented by the Chairman, Dr. W. M. Jay.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP.

We would suggest that the discussion of this report deal squarely with the practice of the principles of Stewardship rather than with the principles themselves, about which there can be little controversy.

Therefore, we recommend three things:

1. That we continue to preach and to teach the principles of stewardship in our churches with renewed zeal and thoroughness.

2. That we seek and labor for a more practical application of stewardship living.

3. In order to quicken and develop a greater interest and knowledge of practical Christian Stewardship in our churches this year, we recommend that Stewardship Institutes during the year, either as individual churches or as groups of churches, and that pastors, lay leaders and stewardship experts be secured to present the various phases of the subject in an enlightening and interesting manner.

W. M. JAY,
O. A. ELMORE,
Committee.

By motion the Report on Stewardship was adopted.

Dr. H. Shelton Smith addressed the Conference, using as his theme: "The Message of the Church for the Present Age."

The Report of the Committee on Education was presented by Rev. Stanley C. Harrell, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

There has never been a time in the history of the American Republic when the influence of the denominational college has been more sorely needed than it is today. Secularism threatens to completely overwhelm American culture. Leaders of the educational world sense the need of spiritual influences in education, and are eagerly seeking some means whereby spiritual influences may be brought to bear upon education. So far no satisfactory means of meeting this need have been discovered. The church directed college is peculiarly adapted to supply this need.

Our own Elon College has rendered conspicuous service throughout its history. It is not necessary to recount the vicissitudes through which Elon College has passed in recent years. But it is in order to call attention to the notable progress that Elon College has achieved in the last few years. It is possessed of a physical equipment which is the equal of any college of its size in this country. It is staffed by a faculty of notable scholastic achievement and teaching ability. The present student body is the largest in point of numbers and is doing school work of exceptionally high rank.

Substantial progress has been made in reducing the debts of the college, and gradually the debts are being paid. It is now evident that it is possible to place Elon College on a solid financial basis. But it can be done only by heroic and sacrificial giving on the part of all those who are interested in Elon College and the cause of Christian education. We, therefore, call upon the membership of this Conference to support Elon College by their patronage and gifts.

Rev. Arnold Slater, pastor of the Albemarle Church, has been granted a letter of transfer from the former Congregational Conference of the Carolinas. He makes application for membership in this Conference. We recommend that he be received and enrolled as a ministerial member of Conference.

Rev. G. H. Veasey has accepted the pastorate of churches in this Conference and presents a letter of transfer from the East Alabama Association of Congregational and Christian Churches. We recommend that he be received and enrolled as a minister of this Conference.

Rev. Milo J. Sweet is serving as pastor of the Union Congregational Church, Chattanooga, Tennessee. He requests a letter of transfer to the Tennessee Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches and Ministers. We recommend that the letter of transfer be granted as requested.

At the last session of Conference it was voted to recognize the ordination at the hands of the Baptist Church of Rev. O. A. Elmore while he served as pastor of the mountain work. Brother Elmore is relinquishing the mountain work, but is continuing his studies at Elon College and plans to accept pastoral work within the Conference. We recommend that his ordination be recognized for another year.

Mr. Harold Loman, a member of the Palm Street Church has been recommended by his church as a candidate for the ministry and applies for licensure. Since Bro. Loman has not yet completed his high school work, we recommend that he be enrolled as a member of the Biblical Class and that he continue his studies.

Mr. Isaiah Israel Sears, a senior at Elon College and a member of the Elon College Church is recommended by his church for licensure. Your committee has examined Mr. Sears and recommends that he be licensed as a probationer at this session of Conference.

Mr. Melvin Dollar, a junior at Elon College and a member of the Elon College Church is recommended by his church for licensure. Mr. Dollar has

passed a satisfactory examination before this Committee, and we recommend that he be licensed as a probationer at this session of Conference.

Mr. Clarence LeGrand Moody, Jr., a Senior at Elon College and a member of the Elon College Church is recommended by his church for licensure. After due and satisfactory examination we recommend that he be licensed at this session of Conference.

Mr. D. N. Vore, a sophomore at Elon College and a member of the Elon College Church is recommended by his church for licensure. Your Committee having satisfied itself as to Mr. Vore's qualifications, recommends his licensure at this session of Conference.

Rev. E. J. Sanderson, licentiate of this Conference and the pastor of Monticello Church, continues to make satisfactory progress in his school work. We recommend that his license be continued.

Rev. I. T. Underwood, a licentiate of this Conference, seems to be making some contribution to his church in that capacity. We recommend that his license be continued.

Rev. R. H. Coble, who has been a licentiate of this Conference for a number of years, requests that his license be continued. Your Committee is not convinced that there is real reason for such continuance. We recommend that Bro. Coble be dropped from the list of licentiates.

STANLEY C. HARRELL,
J. U. NEWMAN,
W. M. JAY,

Committee.

President L. E. Smith addressed the Conference as to the contribution Elon College has made to the Christian Church.

It was voted that the Report of the Committee on Education be adopted.

Conference adjourned.

Benediction by Rev. J. F. Apple.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The program was by the Conference Youth Fellowship, with Mr. Walter Lee Cooper presiding.

Devotionals were led by Rev. LaGrande Moody.

There were announcements and discussion of the work being done by young people throughout the Conference.

The young people of the Reidsville Church presented the pageant: "How Bright the Sun."

The meeting adjourned, and an hour of fellowship was enjoyed in the social hall.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference convened at 9:30.

The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. W. E. Wisseman.

Prayer by Rev. F. C. Lester.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

The reports to Conference from ministers and churches were read.

Standing Committees were appointed as follows:

Executive—G. C. Crutchfield, W. E. Wisseman, Stanley C. Harrell.

Program—G. C. Crutchfield, Stanley C. Harrell, J. H. Lightbourne.

Education—Stanley C. Harrell, W. M. Jay, J. U. Newman, J. H. Lightbourne, H. Shelton Smith.

Home Missions—(Elected) J. H. Lightbourne, G. C. Crutchfield, Stanley C. Harrell, J. O. Atkinson, Zeb H. Lynch, Mrs. C. H. Rowland.

Foreign Missions—W. E. Wisseman, Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, Mrs. W. P. Lawrence.

Christian Education—H. Shelton Smith, W. T. Dunn, Miss Dorothy Truitt.

Moral Reform—John R. Chapman, L. L. Wyrick, O. A. Elmore.

Superannuation—C. E. Newman, Dr. W. H. Boone, Zeb H. Lynch, J. F. Apple.

Ministerial Ethics—W. M. Jay, D. M. Spence, C. H. Rowland.

Religious Literature—W. M. Stevens, B. J. Earp, Mrs. C. H. Rowland.

Budget and Apportionment—C. D. Johnston, S. D. Scott, Clyde Iseley.

Stewardship—Arnold Slater, LaGrande Moody, Mrs. C. L. Simpson.

Evangelism—J. F. Apple, J. L. Neese, G. H. Veasey.

Memoirs—J. H. Lightbourne, J. U. Newman.

Historian—J. O. Atkinson.

It was moved and carried that the Conference minutes be printed in THE CHRISTIAN ANNUAL, and that the Conference purchase 200 copies for pro rata distribution among the churches.

The Home Mission Board made supplemental report as follows:

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The following is a proposed grouping of our rural churches as outlined by the Home Mission Board in conjunction with the ministers of the Conference.

Group 1. Apple's Chapel, Hine's Chapel, Monticello.

Group 2. Belew Creek, Salem Chapel, Pleasant Ridge.

Group 3. Long's Chapel, Bethlehem, Berea.

Group 4. Bethel, Concord, Mt. Zion.

Group 5. Haw River, Providence Memorial, Mebane.

Group 6. Carolina, Hopedale, (Student supply pastor).

Group 7. Rocky Ford, Elk Spur, Ivy Hill.

Group 8. Union (Va.), Hebron, Liberty, Lebanon.

Group 9. Pleasant Grove, Ingram, Happy Home.

Group 10. New Lebanon, Mt. Bethel, Kallam Grove, Howard's Chapel.

Shallow Ford asked that they be allowed to be served from Elon College.

Moved and carried that the Report be approved, admitted to record and printed for information.

Dr. J. H. Lightbourne introduced the following resolutions with reference to the Christian Missionary Association:

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas there has been organized in our Conference a Christian Missionary Association;

And whereas the Conference missionary work has been given to the Christian Missionary Association as a responsibility;

And whereas the Conference does not raise or provide for a Conference Missionary fund;

And whereas the Conference gives to the Christian Missionary Association only such sums as remain in the Conference Expense fund after all legitimate expenses of the Conference are met;

And whereas it is more and more evident there is need for the extension and sustenance of missionary work in the Conference;

Therefore, be it resolved that the churches of the Conference observe annually a Christian Missionary Sunday, on which Sunday every church in the Conference will have a service at which the subject of Conference Missions will be presented, and an effort made to secure memberships for the Christian Missionary Association.

And be it further resolved that the ministers of our Conference and ministers serving churches of our Conference lend themselves to the spirit and purpose of this Christian Missionary Association Sunday by a willingness and readiness to fill whatever appointment they may be requested to fill; and furthermore, that the laywomen and laymen of our churches be willing and ready to co-operate in this program as they are called upon to provide leadership for the services of the day.

And be it further resolved that the Sunday to be designated as Christian Missionary Association Sunday shall be one of the Sunday's within the mission period.

J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
Secretary.

It was moved and carried that the resolutions be approved.

Rev. Mr. Sasser, pastor of the Baptist Church, of Reidsville, was presented to Conference and accorded the privilege of the floor.

The Report of the Committee on Superannuation was made by the Chairman, Rev. C. E. Newman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

Social justice requires provision for age or disability. Since 1890 the average length of life has been increased by about seventeen years. This makes it more necessary than ever before to provide some financial security for the advanced years of life. Our government by the Social Security Act has made a great stride in this direction. However, ministers being in the service of non-profit organizations are excluded from the annuity benefits offered to those in industrial life. The Annuity Fund of the Congregational-Christian Church is the only method open to our ministers to provide for old age or disability. Through the Herring Fund and the Pilgrim Memorial Fund, ministers of the Christian Church ordained since 1931, can provide at a very small cost an annuity for old age or disability.

While the younger ministers can provide for the future through the Annuity Fund, the older ministers have no means to receive financial aid, when no longer able to be active, except through Ministerial Relief.

In the North Carolina and Virginia Conference we are receiving annually from this fund about two dollars to each dollar we contribute. Pride alone should be sufficient to cause us to face about to remedy such a situation.

We recommend as follows:

1. That each minister of this Conference use his best influence to encourage the churches of his charge to raise the apportionment for superannuation in full.

2. That in addition to the Christmas Offering, a special offering be taken each quarter at the Communion Service, unless the church has provided other definite means to raise the amount in full.

3. That the Board of Superannuation of the Southern Convention be asked that the following share with applicants from other conferences to their Board as funds in hand permit: Mesdames L. I. Cox, C. C. Peel, J. P. Barrett, J. W. Knight, H. T. Moffitt and Revs. J. S. Carden and C. H. Rowland.

C. E. NEWMAN,
W. H. BOONE,
ZEB H. LYNCH,
J. L. LYNCH,

Committee.

It was voted that the Report on Superannuation be adopted.

The Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Believing that we express the sentiments of all in attendance upon this the One Hundred and Twelfth Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Congregational-Christian Conference when we say that each day has been full of true worship, information and an earnest desire to do the Master's work, we, your Committee offer the following resolutions:

That we express by standing vote our appreciation to the pastors and members of the Reidsville Church and its friends, for the splendid hospitality extended to delegates and visitors during the Conference.

2. That we express our appreciation to the Conference Officials for the preparation and splendid execution of this program.

3. That we thank our visiting brethren who were invited to seats as deliberative members for their genuine interest and stirring appeals in behalf of our various undertakings.

4. That we express our sincere thanks to all who have appeared on the program for the information and inspiration they have given us; especially Dr. Willard L. Beard for his messages; to the young people of the Reidsville Church for the pageant presented; to the World Friendship Society of the Burlington Church for their worship service; to Dr. H. Shelton Smith for his message and to Rev. W. E. Wisseman for his worship service.

5. That we, as ministers and laymen, endeavor to be light bearers of this great Conference to our home churches going back with a determination to help carry out the recommendations and suggestions made here.

L. L. WYRICK,
MRS. GRACE STEWART,
ZEB H. LYNCH,

Committee.

On motion the Resolutions were adopted by a standing vote.

The Committee on Memoirs reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

(The only death among the ministry of our Conference reported to the Committee was that of Rev. P. H. Fleming.)

Patrick Henry Fleming's career covered the period 1862-1937. It was his lot to be born at a time of war, and to spend his boyhood during years when his state experienced political chaos, economic distress and social unrest. It was his good fortune to be born to Christian parents and into a home where abided faith, hope and charity. These circumstances of his birth and early environment may account in large measure for the tremendous fortitude, persistent courage and achieving faith housed in so frail a form.

Taking advantage of the meager opportunities his community then afforded in education he was, before his twentieth year, teaching school. In 1882 he enrolled in the Graham Normal School and from then until so recently as 1925 we find him pursuing courses of formal study. He was enrolled as a student in the following institutions beside the one already named: Suffolk Collegiate, Antioch, Randolph-Macon, Elon, Christian Biblical Institute, Moody Bible School and University of North Carolina. He received his master's degree from Elon and in 1908 Union Christian College conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity.

In 1882 licensure was granted and in 1886 ordination was administered by this Conference. His ministerial career covered an active period of fifty-four years. His ministerial activities took him to the states of Virginia, New Hampshire and Ohio but the greater part was spent in his native North Carolina. For twelve years Dr. Fleming served as a member of the Board of Christian Education of the American Christian Convention; from 1894 until the time of his death he was a trustee of Elon College and for thirty-two years of this period he served the Board as its secretary; twice he was elected president of the

Southern Convention, and on several occasions he served as president of his conference.

For sixteen years Doctor Fleming was an educator, serving in the school room as teacher; the city of Burlington as a superintendent of its schools; and Alamance County as superintendent of Public Welfare for Alamance County.

Doctor Fleming's career was varied and his interests were numerous. Indication of this is found not only in the several occupations he followed but in the diversity of his studies and his reading. He was public official, educator, teacher, student, preacher, and above all, a cultured Christian Southern gentleman.

Doctor Fleming was methodical. He charted his course and then quietly but persistently pursued it. This trait secured for him success where more gifted men failed. His sense of personal responsibility was enormous and found expression in consecrated devotion to his tasks and endeavors.

Doctor Fleming had a deep insight into the weaknesses as well as the strengths of human character and could minister to the aspirations and ambitions, the desires and the needs of his parishoners with gracious understanding and sincere patience. His love and service were without dissimulation.

Doctor Fleming was not outstanding in any particular ability. He was not a great orator, he was not a great executive, he was not of the hale and hearty type but he achieved distinction and secured and held recognition by faithful performance of duty, consecrated loyalty to idealism in practice and by preaching plainly and courageously the Gospel of Jesus Christ from the pulpit and by living it in his daily life.

Doctor Fleming was held in high regard wherever he was known and loved sincerely by the parishoners of his many pastorates. He aspired to, and we think, realized in abundance the inner satisfactions of the Kingdom of Christ. After a long life of many services to the state and the Church death came to find him ready.

J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
Chairman.

By motion the Report on Memoirs was approved and made a part of Conference records.

The Conference Collectors reported as follows:

REPORT OF COLLECTORS.

The churches have sent up to Conference for the year which has just closed a total of \$5,131.40. This amount was allocated to the various interests as follows: Convention Missions, \$633.96; Foreign Missions, \$313.34; Convention Fund, \$1,223.74; Elon College, \$1,429.36; Superannuation, \$351.80; Christian Education \$300.82; Conference Fund, \$567.75; Orphanage, \$310.63. The Statistical tables will show the amounts sent by each church for the various causes, together with the amounts which were sent direct from the churches.

The following are listed as Banner Churches, having raised apportionments in full: Apple's Chapel, Asheville, Belew Creek, Bethlehem, Greensboro First, Happy Home, Hine's Chapel, Ingram, Lynchburg, Mt. Bethel, Mt. Zion, New Lebanon, Shallow Ford, Union (N. C.), and Union (Va.).

It was moved and carried that the Report of Collectors be admitted to record with the provisions that such additional funds as may be received be included.

The Committee on Finance reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the report of Dr. W. Waldo Boone, Treasurer, and find same to be correct.

We recommend the payment of the following bills. Rev. Stanley C. Harrell, Secretary, \$25.00 for secretarial work, also the bills for stationery, programs, ANNUALS, postage, etc.

After the above mentioned bills are paid, we recommend that the balance of the Conference Fund be turned over to the Christian Missionary Association, and that all other designated moneys paid to the Conference be forwarded to Dr. L. L. Vaughan, Treasurer of the Southern Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches, for the purposes indicated by the churches.

J. C. McADAMS,

D. M. SPENCE,

O. A. ELMORE,

Committee.

It was voted that the Report of the Committee on Finance be adopted.

The Committee on Place reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE.

We, your Committee on Place of Meeting for next session of Conference, have had invitations from Burlington, Elon College, and Union (N. C.) Churches.

We recommend that the next session of Conference be held with the Burlington Church.

J. L. NEESE,

J. H. WILKINS,

MABEL SOMERS,

Committee.

It was voted that the recommendation of the Committee on Place be adopted.

Dr. Willard L. Beard made the closing address of his series, using as his theme: "The Influence of Christianity in China."

The President of Conference then licensed Brothers Isaiah I. Sears, Melvin Dollar, Clarence LaGrande Moody and Dwight N. Vore as probationers to preach the Gospel of Christ.

It was moved and carried that the reading of the minutes of today's session be referred to the President and Secretary.

It was moved and carried that Conference adjourn to meet Tuesday after the second Sunday in November, 1938, with the Burlington Christian Church.

Closing prayer led by Dr. Willard L. Beard.

G. C. CRUTCHFIELD, *President*,
Burlington, N. C.

STANLEY C. HARRELL, *Secretary*,
Durham, N. C.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

J. F. Apple—Churches: Bethel, Mt. Zion, Pleasant Ridge (Western Conf.). Sermons, 59; conversions, 13; members received, 15; marriages, 8; addresses, 3; baptisms, 10; visits, 160; funerals, 11; salary, \$766.88.

J. O. Atkinson—Mission Secretary of the Southern Convention.

D. J. Bowden—Professor at Elon College.

J. S. Carden—Churches: Morrisville, Mt. Herman (Eastern Conf.). Sermons, 38; conversions, 25; members received, 18; marriages, 2; baptisms, 12; visits, 50; funerals, 2; salary, \$223.20.

John R. Chapman—Church: Asheville. Sermons, 71; conversions, 5; members received, 11; marriages, 6; addresses, 15; baptisms, 16; visits, 706; funerals, 8; salary, \$1,320.00.

G. C. Crutchfield—Churches: Berea, Bethlehem, Belews Creek, Long's Chapel. Sermons, 100; conversions, 25; members received, 16; marriages, 2; addresses, 10; baptisms, 10; visits, 1,200; funerals, 21; salary, \$1,160.00.

B. J. Earp—Churches: Apple's Chapel, Hines' Chapel, Ingram. Sermons, 105; conversions, 38; members received, 49; marriages, 2; addresses, 4; baptisms, 36; visits, 512; funerals, 5; salary, \$1,250.00.

O. A. Elmore—Churches: Carolina, Hopedale, Elk Spur, Ivy Hill, Rocky Ford. Sermons, 183; conversions, 69; members received, 42; marriages, 2; addresses, 5; baptisms, 26; visits, 1,155; funerals, 6; salary, \$1,206.90.

Stanley C. Harrell—Church: Durham. Sermons, 145; conversions, 6; members received, 10; marriages, 5; addresses, 14; baptisms, 5; visits, 350; funerals, 18; salary, \$2,500.00.

W. M. Jay—Church: Winston-Salem. Sermons, 87; conversions, 1; members received, 8; marriages, 2; addresses, 16; baptisms, 1; visits, 535; children's sermons, 10; salary, \$2,160.00.

J. H. Lightbourne—Church: Burlington. Sermons, 86; conversions, 11; members received, 17; marriages, 9; addresses, 47; baptisms, 10; visits, 819; funerals, 8; salary, \$3,000.00.

J. L. Neese—Churches: Reidsville, New Lebanon. Sermons, 153; conversions, 297; members received, 97; marriages, 10; addresses, 12; baptisms, 76; visits, 664; funerals, 27; salary, \$1,860.00.

C. E. Newman—Churches: Union (Va.), Lebanon, Liberty, Hebron. Sermons, 84; conversions, 40; members received, 36; marriages, 4; addresses, 12; baptisms, 34; visits, 500; funerals, 11; salary, \$995.00.

J. U. Newman—Professor at Elon College.

C. H. Rowland—Pastor Emeritus, First Church, Greensboro. Sermons, 19; salary \$600.00.

J. W. Patton—Masonic Lecturer.

W. T. Scott—Pastor-at-Large for Southeast District. Sermons, 25; addresses, 10; funerals, 1.

D. M. Spence—Churches: Pleasant Ridge, Salem Chapel. Conversions, 1; members received, 1; marriages, 1; visits, 575; funerals, 6; salary, \$603.20.

W. M. Stevens—Churches: Providence Memorial, Union (N. C.). Sermons, 142; members received, 32; marriages, 1; addresses, 12; baptisms, 20; visits, 676; funerals, 8; salary, \$950.00.

M. J. Sweet—Church: Union Congregational, Chattanooga, Tenn. Sermons, 106; conversions, 6; members received, 6; marriages, 1; addresses, 7; baptisms, 4; visits, 737; funerals, 5; salary, \$1,314.00.

W. E. Wisseman—Church: First, Greensboro. Sermons, 111; conversions, 17; members received, 27; marriages, 2; addresses, 11; baptisms, 9; visits, 1,200; funerals, 7; salary, \$1,900.00.

L. L. Wyrick—Churches: Shallow Ford, Mt. Pleasant (Western Conf.), Martha's Chapel (Eastern Conf.). Sermons, 51; conversions, 1; members received, 3; marriages, 1; addresses, 3; baptisms, 1; visits, 225; funerals, 6; salary, \$445.00.

E. J. Sanderson—Churches: Monticello, Haw River. Sermons, 64; conversions, 7; members received, 13; addresses, 2; baptisms, 6; pastoral visits, 192; funerals, 3.

I. T. Underwood—No charge. Sermons, 17; funerals, 1.

CHURCH STATISTICS—NORTH

CHURCH.	PASTOR	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Received on Confession.	Received by Letter	Present Membership.	Paid on Conference Fund.	Paid on Convention Fund.
Apple's Chapel.....	C. L. Moody.....	Mrs. R. E. Apple, Brown Summit, N. C.	65	20	2	378	\$ 13.50	\$ 35.20
Asheville.....	J. R. Chapman.....	R. W. Hawkins, 407 Charlotte St.	93	6	5	100	10.00	18.00
Belew Creek.....	G. H. Veasey.....	Mrs. H. C. Murray, Belew Creek, N. C.	94	4	2	96	4.50	11.20
Berea.....	G. C. Crutchfield.....	Miss Frona Taylor, Altamahaw, N. C.	125	4	1	129	7.00	10.00
Bethel.....	J. F. Apple.....	Mrs. Ida P. Murray, Mebane, N. C., R. 3	154	1	2	151	10.00	23.32
Bethlehem.....	G. C. Crutchfield.....	Clyde Iseley, Burlington, N. C., R. 4...	318	2	3	316	13.50	35.20
Burlington.....	J. H. Lightbourne.....	E. N. Pearce, Box 916, Burlington, N. C.	724	11	6	736	75.00	140.00
Carolina.....	O. A. Elmore.....	J. W. Trollinger, Burlington, N. C., R. 3.	68	3	2	73	4.00	4.00
Concord.....	J. U. Fogleman.....	J. T. Allred, Burlington, N. C., R. 2...	104	12	1	113	6.85	16.00
Danville.....	M. T. Sorrell.....	Miss Verlie Dodd, 1503 Washington St.	621	60	28	506	13.50	35.20
Durham.....	S. C. Harrell.....	A. V. Kennedy, 3344 W. Main St.	464	6	4	461	72.00	184.00
Elk Spur.....	B. J. Earp.....	Victoria Edwards, Fancy Gap, Va.	77	6	1	83		
Elon College.....	L. E. Smith.....	Miss Nannie D. Reitzel, Elon College...	441	3	16	410	50.00	128.00
Greensboro, First.	W. E. Wiseman.....	R. G. Moffitt, 813 Vance St. Greensboro	503	17	10	430	65.00	160.00
Greensboro, Palm St.	M. A. Pollard.....	A. H. Hinshaw, 17 Poplar St. Greensboro	311	1	8	313	13.50	2.00
Happy Home.....	O. A. Elmore.....	Mrs. G. W. Hill, Ruffin, N. C., R. 2...	228	7	1	229	10.50	27.20
Haw River.....	E. J. Sanderson.....	Mrs. Rosa B. Thomas, Haw River, N. C.	151	5	1	149	13.50	35.20
Hebron.....	C. E. Newman.....	Kent Rice, Nelson, Va.	130	4	1	132	2.50	5.00
Hines' Chapel.....	C. L. Moody.....	L. V. Smith, McLeansville, N. C.	225	5	2	229	13.50	35.20
Hopedale.....	O. A. Elmore.....	C. B. Sumner, Burlington, N. C., R. 5...	82	17	1	98	4.00	9.60
Howard's Chapel..	O. A. Elmore.....	W. H. Brame, Reidsville, N. C., R. 2...	25	1	1	23	2.10	6.00
Ingram.....	B. J. Earp.....	Mrs. Charlie Ferrell, Paces, Va.	182	12	9	199	13.50	35.20
Ivy Hill.....	B. J. Earp.....	Mrs. Elsie Morris, Fancy Gap, Va.	63	9	1	71	10.00	
Kallam Grove.....	O. A. Elmore.....	Franklin B. Foulks, Madison, N. C.	63	9	1	71	10.00	
Lebanon.....	C. E. Newman.....	T. J. Earp, Milton, N. C.	126	1	1	125	7.50	19.20
Liberty.....	C. E. Newman.....	Jas. T. Whitt, Nathalie, Va.	173	4	1	176	3.50	8.00
Long's Chapel.....	G. C. Crutchfield.....	J. W. Johnston, Burlington, N. C., R. 5.	161	6	2	166	5.80	14.94
Lynchburg.....	Howard Smith.....	Mrs. W. T. Dunn, 1111 Tolley's Lane...	112	1	1	110	10.00	20.00
Monticello.....	E. J. Sanderson.....	Miss Lottie Morgan, Brown Summit...	60	3	4	62	6.50	5.00
Mt. Bethel.....	O. A. Elmore.....	Miss Ethel Friddle, Stokesdale, N. C.	135	14	4	127	7.50	19.20
Mt. Zion.....	J. F. Apple.....	Geo. Strayhorn, Effand, N. C.	155	1	1	153	7.50	19.20
New Hope.....	No report.....							
New Lebanon.....	J. L. Neese.....	Miss Carrie Sharpe, Summerfield, N. C.	196	13	2	211	9.00	22.40
Pleasant Grove.....	D. N. Vore.....	Mrs. Elizabeth Sipe, News Ferry, Va.	286	5	1	284	2.00	10.00
Pleasant Ridge.....	G. H. Veasey.....	O. D. Nelson, B. 1072, Greensboro, N. C.	81	1	1	77	7.50	19.58
Reidsville.....	J. L. Neese.....	Mrs. C. W. Geringer, 36 Montgomery St.	456	72	10	497	20.00	27.12
Rocky Ford.....	G. C. Crutchfield.....	Clarence Edwards, Cana, Va.	71	1	1	71		
Salem Chapel.....	G. H. Veasey.....	Selma Marshall, Walnut Cove, N. C., R. 2	129	1	1	129	3.00	
Salisbury.....	W. B. Dutters.....	Mrs. Effie F. Emerson, N. Main St.	18	1	1	18		
Shallow Ford.....	L. L. Wyrick.....	Samuel Barber, Elon College, R. 1.....	131	1	1	129	9.00	22.40
Tryon.....	C. Arthur Lincoln.....	Mrs. Helen B. Brundage, Tryon, N. C.	156	2	8	162	10.00	20.00
Union (N. C.).....	W. M. Stevens.....	W. H. Garrison, Burlington, N. C., R. 2.	334	14	6	345	10.50	27.20
Union (Va.).....	C. E. Newman.....	J. R. Murray, Virgilina, Va.	419	23	1	351	13.50	12.70
Winston-Salem.....	W. M. Jay.....	J. A. Wester, 429 Brent St.	72	1	7	75	4.50	9.60
Totals.....			8373	376	151	8704	\$ 565.25	\$1222.06

CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

Home Missions.	Paid on Convention Foreign Missions.	Paid on Elon College Fund.	Paid on Superannuated Fund.	Raised for Christian Education.	Raised for Orphanage.	Raised by Missionary Association.	Raised by Woman's Missionary Society.	Raised for Other Benevolences.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Paid on Other Expenses, Including Sunday School.	Total Raised, Including Sunday School.	Value of Church Property.
35.20	\$ 35.20	\$ 88.00	\$ 17.60	\$ 8.80	\$ 88.00			\$ 55.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 648.78	\$ 1,475.28	\$ 1,250
18.00	18.00	45.00	9.00	4.50	40.00				1,020.00	787.51	1,970.01	12,000
11.20	11.20	28.00	5.60	2.80	28.00				185.00	1,338.19	1,625.69	1,500
10.50	10.50	7.00	4.00		30.50				250.00		319.50	2,500
25.00	23.33	6.62	3.50	9.65	7.65			6.00	210.00	41.64	366.71	2,000
35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	88.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 22.00		350.00	518.83	1,217.33	5,000
40.00	373.64	354.41	409.54	45.00	2398.83	150.00	973.90	184.85	3,000.00	4,242.53	12,487.70	100,000
8.71	3.35	5.00	1.00	3.10	18.72		10.00	85.00	171.54	161.01	475.43	800
16.00	16.00		8.00	4.00	23.50			33.00	198.00	60.00	381.35	1,000
35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80			109.00	1000.00	1,620.00	6,082.92	9,045.42	23,000
109.82	109.81	460.00	92.00	46.00	371.69	22.50	396.05		2,500.00	2,046.08	6,409.95	50,000
28.00	128.00	320.00	64.00	32.00	134.25		397.98		900.00	16.88	16.88	4,000
160.00	160.00	400.00	80.00	40.00	234.61		973.00	116.25	2,500.00	535.72	2,817.95	7,500
34.14		23.48	9.00		67.25	5.00	34.15	32.00	1,300.00	2,340.00	7,228.86	51,000
										1,355.62	2,876.14	12,000
27.20	27.20	68.00	13.60	6.80	125.00			85.00	327.00	256.75	974.25	5,000
35.20	35.20	40.00	5.85	10.00	88.00		25.00	149.48	252.00	551.72	1,241.15	5,000
5.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	23.00		25.00	40.00	175.00	50.00	360.50	1,500
35.20	45.55	88.00	17.60	8.80	88.00		52.40	93.00	400.00	385.20	1,262.15	3,500
9.60	9.60	3.20	4.80	2.40	24.00			10.00	235.55	690.00	1,002.75	2,000
3.00	4.00	6.50	3.00	2.40	24.00			4.00	71.75	34.74	161.49	1,500
35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	225.00	5.00	80.00	40.00	400.00	974.87	1,958.37	10,000
	2.50			2.50	10.16							
19.20	19.20	42.23	9.00	4.80	21.56				100.00	1,772.19	1,897.35	2,250
									200.00	63.00	405.69	1,500
10.00	16.00	20.00	8.00	4.00	5.90		12.00	30.00	200.00	72.79	390.19	1,500
14.94	14.84	37.35	7.55	3.73	40.91				275.00	173.52	588.68	4,000
35.00	35.00	48.00	10.00	5.00	117.43		40.00	41.65	853.44	438.46	1,653.98	7,000
10.00	10.33	11.21	4.24	2.44	43.42		42.50		375.00	247.47	758.11	2,500
19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	61.44			76.42	225.00	73.25	563.61	4,000
19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	48.00	10.00	15.50	30.00	200.00	287.96	718.96	2,000
22.40	22.40	56.00	11.30	5.60	125.00	5.00			300.00	357.81	936.91	2,000
34.95	34.94	97.74			20.00				300.00	109.43	609.06	4,000
	17.80				20.95		30.00		250.00	58.75	404.58	1,000
52.80	52.80	75.00	18.47	13.20	156.62		163.50	182.40	1,560.00	4,181.20	6,499.11	35,000
5.00	9.00	5.00			14.00					27.14	27.14	2,500
									325.00	429.72	790.72	2,500
22.40	22.40	56.00	11.20	5.60	60.00			17.50	300.00	232.75	759.25	2,500
75.00	75.00						120.00		2,500.00	1,437.00	4,237.00	24,000
27.20	27.20	68.00	18.31	6.80	68.00		120.70	150.37	600.00	867.99	1,992.27	7,500
35.00	25.00	88.00	18.00	8.80	88.00		85.00	100.00	420.00	233.00	1,117.00	15,000
9.60	9.60	20.00	4.80	2.40	20.00	10.00	82.15		360.00	969.93	1,502.58	10,000
19.26	\$1558.69	\$2937.74	\$ 950.96	\$ 331.82	\$5045.39	\$ 212.50	\$3809.83	\$2561.92	\$25,859.28	\$35,152.35	\$81,527.05	\$433,100

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—N. C. & VA. CONFERENCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Number on Cradle Roll.	Number in Home Department.	Total Enrollment.	Total Amount Raised During Year.
Apple's Chapel.....	E. P. Murrell, Brown Summit, N. C.....	15	10		250	\$ 216.21
Asheville.....	Norman Scrivener, 123 Edwin Place.....	13			89	142.00
Belew Creek.....	T. R. Preston, Belew Creek, N. C.....	7			88	39.89
Berea.....	W. S. Simpson, Elon College, R. 1.....	10			150	
Bethel.....	Robert Hooper, Mebane, N. C., R. 3.....	6			43	11.64
Bethlehem.....	J. E. Wilkins, Elon College, N. C.....	18			186	266.25
Burlington.....	Herman Truitt, Burlington, N. C.....	27	18	11	477	3,623.73
Carolina.....	J. W. Trollinger, Burlington, N. C., R. 3.....	9	15		140	136.51
Concord.....	Mrs. W. R. Simmons, Yanceyville, N. C.....	4			40	
Danville.....	F. J. Allen, Myrtle Ave., Danville, Va.....	28	18		600	985.07
Durham.....	E. N. Jones, City Hall, Durham, N. C.....	30	10	25	302	379.12
Elk Spur.....	Gladys Strickland, Fancy Gap, Va.....	6			108	
Elon College.....	W. B. Terrell, Elon College, N. C.....	41	8		228	87.46
Greensboro First.....	S. D. Scott, 807 Scott Ave., Greensboro.....	22	24		290	680.00
Greensboro, Palm St.....	Doyle Murchison, Jr., G'sboro, R. 5.....	14	28		290	439.93
Happy Home.....	R. J. Hudson, Reidsville, N. C.....	8			132	144.15
Haw River.....	Herma Neese, Haw River, N. C.....	14			145	103.31
Hebron.....	Kent Rice, Nelson, Va.....	8			54	13.59
Hines Chapel.....	J. W. Barker, Greensboro, N. C., R. 5.....	10			150	157.98
Hopedale.....	C. B. Sumner, Burlington, N. C., R. 5.....	12			250	50.00
Howard's Chapel.....	W. H. Brame, Reidsville, N. C., R. 2.....	5			75	34.74
Ingram.....	J. K. Landrum, Vernon Hill, Va.....	14	4		120	205.00
Ivy Hill.....						
Kallam's Grove.....	Ivie Washburn, Madison, N. C., R. 2.....	3			40	14.99
Lebanon.....	H. G. Earp, Milton, N. C.....	6			30	56.57
Liberty.....	Jas. T. Whitt, Nathalie, Va.....	12			109	52.79
Long's Chapel.....	R. W. Barnette, Mebane, N. C., R. 1.....	10			93	107.91
Lynchburg.....	J. W. Tolley, 1606 McKinney St.....	17			120	
Monticello.....	Eulin Cumbie, Brown Summit, N. C.....	9	15		84	67.47
Mt. Bethel.....	Frank Lester, Summerfield, N. C., R. 1.....	8			103	145.03
Mt. Zion.....	Zeb H. Lynch, Mebane, N. C., R. 3.....	6			50	37.96
New Hope.....						
New Lebanon.....	W. T. Moore, Reidsville, N. C., R. 4.....	10			145	146.81
Pleasant Grove.....	G. C. Talbert, News Ferry, Va.....					
Pleasant Ridge.....	J. H. Crutchfield, Kernersville, N. C.....	5			65	58.75
Reidsville.....	Clyde Fields, Reidsville, N. C.....	23			456	465.81
Rocky Ford.....	Walter Edwards, Cana, Va.....	5			152	
Salem Chapel.....	H. V. Marshall, Walnut Cove, R. 2.....	9			89	58.54
Salisbury.....						
Shallow Ford.....	Samuel Barber, Elon College, R. 1.....	11			172	165.25
Tryon.....	Nelson Jackson, Jr., Tryon, N. C.....	15	6		99	133.00
Union (N. C.).....	A. I. Bowland, Burlington, N. C., R. 3.....	10	14		142	215.45
Union (Va.).....	Russell Seat, Virgilina, Va.....	6			66	92.00
Winston Salem.....	W. L. Padgett, 511 N. Highland Ave.....	12	8		95	129.90
Totals.....		498	178	36	6,317	\$ 9,664.81

Proceedings of the One Hundred and Twelfth Annual Session of the Eastern North Carolina Conference

SHALLOW WELL CHRISTIAN CHURCH, JONESBORO, N. C.
NOVEMBER 23, 24, 1937.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The One Hundred and Twelfth Annual Session of the Eastern North Carolina Conference of Congregational-Christian Churches met and was called to order by Rev. F. Ervin Hyde, Vice-President, at 10:00 A. M.

Song Service was conducted by Rev. J. A. Denton.

Devotional Services were conducted by Rev. W. T. Scott.

ENROLLMENT.

The roll was called and the following ministers and delegates were enrolled:

Ministers—E. M. Carter, J. A. Denton, Geo. N. Edwards, Jas. L. Foster, J. E. Franks, R. T. Grissom, F. E. Hyde, B. J. Howard, J. Lee Johnson, S. E. Madren, J. E. Neese, C. Rexford Raymond, M. T. Sorrell, Carl H. Voss, W. C. Wicker.

Churches and Delegates.

Amelia—B. Lee Penny, Mrs. B. Lee Penny.

Antioch—Mrs. S. R. Jones.

Auburn—E. J. Poole, Mrs. E. J. Poole, Edna Upchurch.

Bethel—E. C. Smith, R. R. Marks.

Bethlehem—Letter.

Beulah—Sue Mae Raybon, Mrs. O. J. Perry, A. R. Perry, C. J. Perry.

Caroleigh—

Cary—Mrs. J. R. Matthews, J. F. Hilliard.

Catawba Springs—O. W. Mann, Mrs. Claude Page.

Charleston—E. J. Pennington, Mrs. Geo. N. Edwards, V. O. Taylor.

Christian Light—Mrs. W. C. Carroll, Mrs. M. E. Hardee, Mrs. J. D. Dean, M. E. Harper.

Christian Chapel—J. W. Roe, B. M. Dickens.

Clayton—

Damascus—Robert Daniel.

Ebenezer—

Fuller's Chapel—W. S. Griggs.

Good Hope—Letter.

Hayes Chapel—W. S. Stone.

Henderson—Mrs. E. T. Vickers, B. H. Nelson.

Lebanon—Lois Stevens, Mrs. J. A. Mitchell.

Lee's Chapel—Mrs. T. J. Gunter, Mrs. Paul Thomas, Billie Gunter.
Liberty—L. L. Stainback, Margaret Alston, Mrs. B. M. Newman,
Chas. A. Dunn.

Mebane—J. O. Fowler.

Morrisville—E. W. Clements, Mrs. R. B. Gupton, Lessie Pugh.

Moore Union—Mrs. Zephia White, Mrs. J. W. Lett, Mrs. Erma
Burnes.

Mt. Auburn—Edna Upchurch.

Mt. Carmel—Zula B. Mitchell, Josephine Evans, Mrs. Charlie Acree.

Mt. Gillead—Jim Wilder.

Mt. Herman—Mrs. A. T. Munn, Mamie Munford.

New Elam—Mary Webster, Mrs. R. L. Trotter, W. A. Drake.

New Hill—No Report.

New Hope—Joseph Denton, John Chamblee, A. L. Arnold, W. G.
Toney.

Niagara—Letter.

Oak Level—Mrs. L. W. White, Mrs. W. R. Holden, W. H. Hunson.

O'Kelley's Chapel—No Report.

Piney Plains—Mrs. C. W. Franklin.

Pleasant Hill—Booker Creech, D. O. Neighbor.

Pleasant Union—Mrs. M. E. Wilder, John Green, Mrs. A. M. Long.

Plymouth—Graham Partin, B. G. Partin, W. B. Rowland.

Pope's Chapel—Nell Holmes, J. W. House, Mrs. O. M. Evans, Mrs.
J. W. House.

Raleigh—Mrs. E. W. Boshart, Mrs. J. R. Bundy, L. L. Vaughan.

Sanford—A. H. McIver, Mrs. J. B. Ellington, Estelle Foushee, Mrs.
A. H. McIver.

Shallow Well—Mrs. Janie McFarland, Mrs. Cloie Sloan, Sallie
Belle Morgan.

Six Forks—No Report.

Southern Pines—Blance E. Shuman.

Turner's Chapel—Mrs. J. M. Riddle.

Wake Chapel—K. B. Johnson, C. A. Ballentine, Mrs. K. B. Johnson.

Wentworth—B. L. Brown, J. M. Banks, Mrs. J. M. Banks.

Youngsville—Letter.

Address of welcome was by Rev. F. Ervin Hyde.

Response by Rev. Jas. L. Foster.

The following visitors were recognized and introduced to Conference: Dr. Stanley C. Harrell, President of the Southern Christian Convention; Rev. Geo. M. Tally, of the Western North Carolina Conference; Rev. F. C. Lester, Editor of *The Christian Sun*; Rev. T. E. White, of the Western North Carolina Conference; Rev. J. S. Carden, of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference; Rev. J. L. Neese, of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference; Dr. Willard L. Beard, returned Missionary to China; Chas. D. Johnston, Supt. of the Orphanage; Rev. H. V. Cox, of the Western North Carolina Confer-

ence; Rev. Boigt Taylor, Southern Pines, North Carolina; Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College; Rev. W. T. Scott, Pastor at Large for Georgia and Florida; Rev. Don Ullon, Southern Pines, North Carolina; Rev. Millard Stevens, of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

The Program Committee reported; and by motion the program was adopted, with such changes as may be necessary.

Rev. Willard L. Beard, D. D., returned Missionary to China, addressed the Conference on, "Missions in China."

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

No business has come to the attention of this Committee except the transfer of Rev. J. S. Johnson, to the Eastern Virginia Conference. This being done upon his own request, as he had accepted a call to a Parish of churches in the Eastern Virginia Conference.

E. M. CARTER, *Secretary*.

The following were appointed as Special Committees:

Nominations—Rev. J. Everett Neese, K. B. Johnson, Rev. Geo. N. Edwards, Rev. S. E. Madren.

Resolutions—Rev. Carl H. Voss, Rev. J. E. Franks, Rev. J. A. Denton. Rev. J. Lee Johnson.

Place—Rev. R. T. Grissom, Miss Lillie Fowler, W. J. Ballentine.

The Annual Sermon was preached by Rev. Stanley C. Harrel, D. D., "The Human Part in Spiritual Conquest."

Communion Services were conducted by Rev. J. Lee Johnson and Dr. Geo. N. Edwards, assisted by Revs. J. L. Neese, Geo. M. Tally, E. M. Carter, T. E. White and J. S. Carden.

Adjourned for lunch.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 1:30.

Song Service conducted by Rev. J. A. Denton.

Worship Service conducted by Rev. S. E. Madren.

"Our Orphanage" was presented by Supt. Chas. D. Johnston. An offering for the Orphanage was received to the amount of \$27.00.

Dr. L. E. Smith brought greetings to the Conference from Dr. W. C. Wicker, President of the Conference who was prevented attending the Conference on account of illness.

By motion the Secretary was instructed to write a letter of greetings to Dr. W. C. Wicker, Elon College, North Carolina; also one to Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Orlando, Florida.

Moved and carried that a suitable inscription of historical value be placed on the gavel used by the President of the Conference. The gavel having been made of timber from the house in which Rev. James O'Kelley was born.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP.

Christian Stewardship is very essential to the advancement of the cause of God's Kingdom throughout the world. There cannot be any true Christian service without the stewardship of strength, time, and talents. There could be no world-wide Missionary Movement without the Stewardship of life and money. Stewardship is partnership with God. We are God's stewards to bring about the results for Him—to handle aright that which is entrusted to our care.

The beginning of the Missionary enterprise for the church is the Great Commission, but behind this Commission is the ownership of God. The world and everything therein belongs to God. Ownership means absolute control. The material and natural resources and powers of the world which are used by man to create wealth are God's production. God gives man power to produce wealth.

Christian Stewardship is necessary to deeper spirituality. It makes giving to the church an act of worship and not merely a matter of paying bills. Christians belong to God, and in acknowledgement, should lay a first share of time, talents and money on the altar to be used in Kingdom advancement. Unless individual church members become conscious of their obligations to God as stewards the program for evangelizing the world will fail.

Therefore, we recommend:

1. That there be a process of stewardship education throughout the church, by stewardship classes, and stewardship dramatization.
2. That the challenge of partnership with God in building His Kingdom be presented more forcibly by the Church.
3. That ministers recognize the great responsibility resting upon them to use messages which deepen the spiritual life of the church that a burning desire may be created in the hearts of his people to use their talents and their means for the support and cause of Christ's work.
4. That we come face to face in reality with God and catch a vision of life that those things now considered secular may become spiritual.

Respectfully submitted,

J. EVERETT NEESE,
S. E. MADREN,

Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

Your Committee wishes to make the following report on evangelism. Realizing that it is necessary and a part of the work of the church to reach the lost and that the church that does not evangelize soon weakens and loses its power. We wish to say that it is impossible to recommend any definite plan for all communities. The following suggestions might be helpful in instituting a program suitable to the community and particular need of your church.

Therefore, we wish to recommend as follows:

1. Organize groups and give them instructions on evangelism. These groups to canvass the homes and endeavor to reach the lost for Christ where possible or to get them attending services.
2. Social cottage prayer services in different parts of the community, making these services evangelistic.
3. Revival services in your church as often as practical.
4. Put on special programs, getting the people out and seek to close the services with an appeal to the lost. If you cannot get the people interested in going to church, it is certain you cannot reach them.
5. Keep your church spiritual and zealous for lost souls.
6. Lay the emphasis on getting people to Christ and not on the church roll.

Respectfully submitted,

M. T. SORRELL, *Chairman.*

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE.

Your Committee on Social Service submits the following report:

We believe that the Gospel of Jesus Christ has certain social implications. We believe that the Church of Christ must concern itself with moral and social reform which no serious thinking person can escape. We realize "that the world must be organized into a corporate unit governed by the will of the Father of all humankind; to the end that each and every individual will have enough of the material goods of earth so that he will not be handicapped by want as he seeks to develop for himself and his fellows the abundant life; that he may escape, thereby the toils of economic slavery and the fears and hunger-born impulses to sin; and to the further end that growth into the full life of the spirit shall be encouraged and advanced, overcoming at each step the evil that disputes its progress."—(Poteat's *The Social Manifesto of Jesus*.)

Therefore, we recommend:

1. That we reaffirm our stand against war and that we endorse the efforts of all peace agencies which seek to make a warless world.

2. That our Conference go on record as endorsing the efforts of the Council of Social Action and that the ministers and churches of this Conference cooperate insofar as it is possible and practical.

3. That the ministers and members of our churches read the publications: *Social Action* and *Christian Century* and *Advance*, in order that they may be informed relative to the issues involved.

4. That we urge our ministers to condemn fearlessly the present liquor laws of the State of North Carolina, both in their preaching and pastoral visiting. Be it further resolved that we lend our efforts to all agencies seeking to combat the wet legislation.

5. We would call attention to Item II in the report of this committee at our last Annual Conference (Page 118, *CHRISTIAN ANNUAL*, 1936) "Nor can we overlook the pathetic plight of an underpaid ministry within the circle of our Congregational-Christian Conference, and we, therefore, recommend that some concrete constructive action be taken on this matter at this Conference." Yet, we note that this action was not taken. We, therefore, recommend that a committee be appointed to study the advisability of the grouping of our churches. Such a plan might be the means of providing a more adequate salary scale, the said committee to report at the next Annual Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

F. ERVIN HYDE,
CARL HERMANN VOSS,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1936		
Nov. 16	Balance on hand	\$ 225.91
	Collection on Conference Apportionment	1,361.46
	Total	\$1,587.37
Nov. 20	To Mr. A. H. McIver	\$ 8.00
Nov. 20	To Rev. E. M. Carter	25.00
Dec. 12	To Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treasurer	1,090.00
1937		
Apr. 3	To Central Publishing Co.	62.25
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		\$1,185.25
	Balance on hand for 1936 Apportionment	\$ 402.12
	W. J. BALLENTINE,	
	<i>Treasurer.</i>	

By motion it was referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Your Committee on Nominations submits the following:

Officers of Conference—President, Rev. F. E. Hyde; Vice-President, Dr. Geo. N. Edwards; Secretary, Rev. E. M. Carter; Assistant Secretary, Rev. J. E. Neese; Treasurer, Mr. W. J. Ballentine.

Ministerial Delegates to Southern Convention—E. M. Carter, J. A. Denton, J. L. Foster, R. T. Grissom, F. E. Hyde, J. Lee Johnson, S. E. Madren, J. E. Neese, C. Rexford Raymond, M. T. Sorrell, Carl H. Voss, W. C. Wicker, Geo. N. Edwards.

Lay Delegates to the Southern Convention—J. S. Johnson, L. L. Vaughan, C. D. Harton, A. H. McIver, Mrs. E. W. Bashart, W. J. Ballentine, J. A. Kimball, Margaret Alston, W. H. Hudson, W. S. Briggs, Mrs. J. E. Neese, J. F. Hilliard, Mrs. E. M. Carter.

J. EVERETT NEESE,
K. B. JOHNSON,
W. H. HUDSON,
S. E. MADREN,
G. E. EDWARDS,
Committee.

By motion the report of the Committee on Nominations was received and the Secretary cast the vote of Conference.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

A study of the report of the Committee on Finance of the Southern Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches as recorded in the 1936 ANNUAL and printed on pages 20, 21, and 22 indicates in Item IV of said report that for each year of the next biennium the Convention will need \$44,000 to be appropriated as follows:

Convention Fund	\$ 5,000.00
Convention (Home) Missions	5,000.00
Foreign Missions	5,000.00
Elon College Fund	12,500.00
Superannuated Fund	2,500.00
Christian Education	1,500.00
Orphanage	12,500.00
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	\$ 44,000.00

The above mentioned funds to be raised by the several Conferences comprising the Convention and the amount allotted to the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference is \$6,250.00, subdivided as follows:

Convention Fund	\$ 710.00
Convention (Home) Missions	710.00
Foreign Missions	710.00
Elon College Fund	1,800.00
Superannuated Fund	355.00
Christian Education	215.00
Orphanage	1,750.00
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	\$ 6,250.00

A study of the Apportionment Table for 1937 for the Eastern North Carolina Conference of the Congregational-Christian Churches reveals the fact that the grand total, including Conference Fund, only amounts to \$4,902.75. Of this amount, \$237.50 represents Conference Fund. This latter amount, apparently, is for the expenses of operating the Conference and does not in any way apply on the apportionment as allotted the Conference by the Convention. As a matter of fact, our Apportionment Table would indicate that we have only apportioned \$4,665.25 to the churches; whereas, they are supposed to raise for Convention purposes \$6,250.00. This means that we are \$1,584.75 short of the amount which the Convention is requesting of this Conference.

A further study of the financial situation as it applies to the individual church is to the effect that very few, if any, individual church Treasurers know accurately the amount of money which has been raised by the church as a whole or through individual contributions for any fiscal year. The reason for this being that a few of the institutions which are supported by the Convention have Financial Agents who canvass the churches and individuals of the churches for the purpose of collecting all or a part of their respective apportionments. In many cases, these collections are not reported to the church Treasurer and, therefore, he is not in possession of sufficient facts and figures to adequately and accurately make out the church letter to the Conference. Furthermore, the Conference Treasurer has very little, if any, information as to how the amounts which he collects from the individual churches should be prorated and applied on the several items of apportionment for each church. In view of the foregoing, we, the Committee, feel that the ways and means of handling our Conference Apportionments and collections should be improved.

After making this brief study of the Apportionment situation as it exists in our Conference, your Committee wishes to recommend as follows:

1. That the individual church apportionments as printed in the Apportionment Table for 1937, page 120 of the 1936 ANNUAL, remain the same, deleting the names of those churches which have disbanded or are inactive; and adding any churches which are not now listed.

2. That each individual church, through its Finance Committee or Board of Deacons, carefully study their respective apportionment and determine whether or not they feel the church can meet it, taking into consideration the fact that individual gifts can be credited on the apportionment.

3. That any suggested changes in apportionment by any individual church of the Conference be reported to the Conference Secretary before the printing of the next ANNUAL.

4. That the Conference Secretary apprise the individual churches of the recommendations herein set forth through the delegates to this Conference or mail to the Church Secretary a copy of these recommendations immediately.

5. That this Conference appoint a special Finance Committee, not more than three, to cooperate with the Finance Committee of the Southern Convention of the Congregational-Christian Churches in determining some expedient and efficient way whereby Conference Apportionments and Convention needs can be more closely integrated and adequately handled.

With the information available as suggested in these recommendations, the Appropriations Committee for another year will have some definite facts and figures on which to base the individual apportionments for each church.

Respectfully submitted,

L. L. VAUGHAN, *Chairman*,
W. J. BALLENTINE,
JAS. L. FOSTER,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Conference adjourned to meet at 7:30 tonight.

APPORTIONMENTS—1938.

	Conference Fund	Convention Missions	Foreign Missions	Convention Fund	Elon College	Superannuation Fund	Christian Education	Orphanage	Totals
Amelia	\$ 3	\$ 9	\$ 9	\$ 9	\$ 24	\$ 4	\$ 2	\$ 10	\$ 70
Antioch	5	15	15	15	39	7	4	20	120
Auburn	6	18	18	18	46	9	4	25	142
Bethel	3	9	9	9	24	4	2	10	70
Bethlehem	2	7	7	7	18	3	1	5	50
Beulah	2	8	8	8	21	4	2	10	63
Caroleigh	1	4	4	4	12	2	1	5	33
Cary	2	5	5	5	14	2	1	18	52
Catawba Springs ..	7	21	21	21	54	10	5	135	274
Chapel Hill	5	14	14	14	36	7	3	10	103
Charleston	11	47	47	47	50	8	5	20	235
Christian Light ...	5	15	15	15	39	7	4	25	125
Christian Chapel ..	6	19	19	19	48	9	4	10	134
Clayton	3	12	12	12	30	6	3	10	88
Damascus	5	15	15	15	39	7	4	20	120
Ebenezer	4	14	14	14	36	7	3	30	122
Fuller's Chapel ...	4	14	14	14	36	7	3	30	122
Good Hope	3	11	11	11	29	5	2	5	70
Haye's Chapel	2	7	7	7	18	3	1	15	50
Henderson	7	24	24	24	60	12	6	75	232
Lebanon	2	7	7	7	18	3	2	10	56
Lee's Chapel	2	7	7	7	18	3	1	10	55
Liberty	18	59	59	59	149	29	14	150	537
Martha's Chapel ..	2	7	7	7	18	3	1	10	55
Mebane	2	3	3	3	14	3	1	20	47
Morrisville	2	4	4	4	9	1	1	15	40
Moore's Union ...	3	10	10	10	25	5	2	10	75
Mt. Auburn	7	24	24	24	60	12	6	125	282
Mt. Carmel	4	12	12	12	30	6	3	20	69
Mt. Gilead	5	18	18	18	45	9	4	5	122
Mt. Hermon	2	7	7	7	18	3	2	35	81
New Elam	9	30	30	30	75	15	7	35	231
New Hope	6	20	20	20	51	10	5	5	137
Niagara	1	3	3	3	9	1	1	5	29
Oak Level	5	18	18	18	45	9	4	35	152
Piney Plains	5	18	18	18	45	9	4	35	152
Pleasant Hill	3	9	9	9	24	4	2	35	95
Pleasant Union ...	6	20	20	20	51	10	5	35	167
Plymouth	3	9	9	9	24	4	2	35	95
Pope's Chapel	4	14	14	14	36	7	3	25	117
Raleigh	9	30	30	30	74	14	7	30	224
Sanford	6	21	21	21	54	10	5	60	198
Shallow Well	8	26	26	26	66	13	6	60	231
Southern Pines ...	6	21	21	21	54	10	5	10	148
Turner's Chapel ..	3	9	9	9	24	4	2	40	100
Wake Chapel	12	38	38	38	96	19	9	210	460
Wentworth	3	12	12	12	30	6	3	120	198
Youngsville	2	8	8	8	21	4	2	15	68
Total	\$ 226	\$ 752	\$ 752	\$ 752	\$ 1856	\$ 349	\$ 169	\$ 1728	\$ 6544

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 7:30. Song Service was conducted by Rev. J. A. Denton.

Prayer by Rev. F. C. Lester.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

To have a progressive Sunday School and Christian Endeavor is, by no means, an easy task. For one is constantly confronted with difficulties and constantly brought face to face with changing ideas. But, in spite of these difficulties and these changes, we, your Committee, feel that the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention held at Fuller's Chapel Congregational-Christian Church, July 13, 1937, was a successful session and that it was another forward step in the progress and work of our church. The Sunday Schools, Senior and Junior Christian Endeavor Societies represented at the session presented reports that were, indeed, gratifying.

It is generally believed by all Christian workers that the growth and expansion of our church is going to depend, to a great extent, upon the work and progress of the Sunday School and the Christian Endeavor Societies.

Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That each Sunday School organize a Workers Council to be composed of all teachers, Sunday School Officers, Pastor, and representative members of the various classes; and that the Council meet once each month for a consideration of the Sunday Schools' problems.

2. That the teachers of the Sunday School plan regular monthly Teachers Meetings for the purpose of discussing problems arising in the various classes.

3. That we plan, individually, or with other churches, to conduct a Teachers' Training Class for the purpose of preparing our teachers for more *effective* service.

4. That each Sunday School not using Sunday School material published by our own denominational publishing houses, consider the seriousness of the matter, and write for samples and compare them with your present material. (Your Committee suggests unrestricted use of our own denominational material.)

5. That we endorse the Elon Summer Training School for the Young People, Sunday School teachers, and officers.

6. That a "Rally Day" program be held some Sunday during the summer at which time our slogan will be "one hundred per cent of our members present," and that an offering be received and sent to the Board of Christian Education.

7. That the Sunday Schools endorse the work of the Pilgrim Fellowship which is composed of all Young People's Organizations in the various churches of our Conference.

8. That the Sunday school endeavor to set aside one Sunday each month for Mission Instruction and that the offering on that Sunday be sent to the Mission Secretary.

9. That one Sunday be set aside each month for a presentation of the work of our Orphanage and that the offering received be forwarded to Mr. C. D. Johnston, Superintendent, Elon College, North Carolina.

10. That the Sunday School set aside each Fifth Sunday for instruction relative to the work and needs of our College, and that the offering be sent to Dr. L. E. Smith, President, Elon College.

11. That each Christian Endeavor Society try sometime during the year to send a contribution to the College, Orphanage, and to Missions.

12. That the organization of Christian Endeavor Societies be considered, seriously, by those churches who do not have such an organization already functioning.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. NEESE, *Chairman,*
Committee.

Vice-President Hyde read a letter from Dr. W. C. Wicker.

Mr. Marvin McCauley, President of the Youth Fellowship came to the Chair and spoke on: "Why Not Try Christianity?"

Rev. F. C. Lester spoke on: "The Opportunity of Youth."

And offering was received for Christian Education.

Rev. J. Everett Neese conducted a Special Worship Service.

Echoes from the Youth Fellowship Convention which met with the church at Sanford, October 30, 31, by Miss Mary Nell Eves.

Address by Rev. Millard Stevens: "A Challenge to the Young People."

Conference adjourned.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference met and was called to order by the President at 9: 30.

Song Service was conducted by Rev. J. A. Denton.

Worship Service was conducted by Rev. S. E. Madren.

Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

At the last annual Conference your Committee was instructed to investigate the situations at New Hill and Six Forks, relative to the possibility of reorganizing the work at those places. After a careful investigation of existing conditions and property rights, it is our opinion that it would be unwise for the Conference to invest any funds in trying to revive the work at either point.

We found, in the case of the Six Forks Church, that regular services were being conducted by a Canadian Evangelist, who is not a minister of our denomination. This minister's efforts, however, are apparently meeting with success.

In the case of the New Hill Church, this organization seems to have been built very largely around the personality and through the efforts of Bro. Carey Welch, now deceased. The church property also joins the property of an active Missionary Baptist Church.

In conferring with members of both churches, we discovered that insufficient interest on their part and difficulties concerning the ownership of the property justifies the decision of your Committee in making the following recommendations:

1. That the few remaining members of these churches be urged to affiliate themselves with near-by active churches of our fellowship.

2. In the event the members of Six Forks Church desire to carry one, we recommend that they be entrusted to secure the services of an ordained minister of our denomination and reorganize their work. Should they fail to do this by the time the next annual Conference convenes, this property shall revert to the heirs of the original owner, as provided for in the deed.

3. Inasmuch as the property at New Hill is in a bad state of repair and is deeded to the trustees of the local church, we recommend that they be asked to dispose of this property for a price and that the amount received from the sale of same be contributed to the Home Mission Fund of our Conference.

Upon investigation, we find that an important recommendation of your committee, which was made in last year's report, has not been put into effect. That recommendation is as follows:

"We regret that lack of funds makes it impossible for favorable consideration to be given all requests for supplements from Conference funds. Since our funds are extremely limited and the distribution of same in small amounts, as in the past, benefits only a few individuals and renders but little service to the

Conference. We, therefore, recommend that the President and Secretary of the Conference, together with Rev. Carl H. Voss, be requested to act as a Committee for the purpose of arranging for and forming a Pastorate as quickly as possible, consisting of not more than three or four churches, within the boundaries of the Conference, where there appears to be an exceptional opportunity for service and growth and that this same Committee work with the field in securing a competent minister to serve this Pastorate. We further recommend that all funds now available for Home Missions be used to supplement this work for the ensuing Conference year and that this be made our Home Mission project for a period of five years, it being understood, however, that financial assistance from the Conference is to be decreased at the rate of 20 per cent annually. We also recommend that the minister selected for this work be required to report on the progress of the work in a special report at each session of Conference during the five year period. We believe that such a plan, properly worked under the right type of leadership, will be the means of enlarging our service and increasing our church membership."

It is our understanding that the small amount of money available for the project was a sufficient cause for the inactivity of the special Committee named in the above recommendation. We, therefore, now recommend that this plan be started immediately, with an original contribution of \$400.00 from the Home Mission Fund, same to be decreased annually, as provided for in the original recommendation. We further recommend that the old Committee be released and that Rev. J. Everett Neese, J. A. Kimball and Rev. F. Ervin Hyde be named as a new Committee and that they be authorized to establish such a Pastorate at a place, which in their opinion, the best opportunity for growth exists.

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. McIVER,
L. L. VAUGHAN,
K. B. JOHNSON,
Committee.

By motion the report was adopted by items.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

In Mark 16:15, we have these words from our Lord: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." "Go ye" is a call, a commission to those who know Him as Saviour and Lord, having "redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins."

"All the world" is the field of labor, any place where the unsaved are found, it includes "every creature."

The gospel is the good news of Salvation to those who realize they are lost, not only that Jesus loved us but—that He died for us. Paul said: "He loved me and gave Himself for me." John said: "He loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood."

It is called the "Gospel of God" for it originates in His love. But it is also called the "Gospel of Christ" because it flows from His sacrifice. It is designated the "Gospel of the grace of God" for it is not of human merit, but of His own free gift—and saves those whom the law curses.

This is the good news He has commissioned us to preach everywhere. This is the business of the church. The gospel is one and its mission one, whether it be home or foreign. If men and women are sent to preach the gospel in other lands we call it Foreign Missions. We are doing mission work in many far-away places, in twelve different countries. According to the report of the board there are 467 missionaries in active service, over 6,000 national Christian workers, 13 missions, nearly 3,000 places of service, 765 churches, with over 107,000 members. There are over 1,300 Sunday schools with a membership of more than 85,000.

We believe, that for the simple reason, Christ gave us the commission and

because the apostles practiced it, we should strive to get the gospel of grace to all the world. Therefore, we recommend:

1. That we cultivate the spirit of missions by giving more freely for our own joy and to help others.
2. That the pastors seek to interest the people in real mission activities.
3. That we pray much for the saving of souls in all the world.
4. That the churches take an Easter Offering and the Sunday schools a monthly offering for missions.

MARGARET ALSTON,
R. T. GRISSOM,
J. LEE JOHNSON,
Committee.

REPORT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

The Twenty-Fifth Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Conference was held at the Raleigh Congregational-Christian Church, Raleigh, North Carolina, Tuesday, October 5, 1937, with Mrs. O. H. Paris, President, presiding. An interesting and inspiring program was given. The theme was "*Advancing With Christ.*"

The Treasurer's report showed that the total receipts for the year were \$4,030.51.

The following officers were elected for the the year 1937-1938: *President*—Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, Burlington, N. C.; *First Vice-President*—Miss Margaret Alston, Henderson, N. C.; *Second Vice-President*—Mrs. Seth M. Vining, Tryon, N. C.; *Secretary*—Mrs. D. H. Lambeth, Elon College, N. C.; *Treasurer*—Mrs. Chas. H. Stephenson, Raleigh, N. C.; *Superintendent of Young People*—Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, Greensboro, N. C.; *Superintendent of Cradle Roll*—Mrs. M. W. Hook, Elon College, N. C.; *Superintendent of Spiritual Life*—Mrs. A. R. Sellars, Burlington, N. C.; *Superintendent of Literature*—Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, Durham, N. C.

The Eastern North Carolina Conference is a part of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Conference and has fourteen Women's Missionary Societies, two Young People's Societies and one Cradle Roll. The financial report of the societies for the year is as follows:

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES.

Chapel Hill	\$ 12.00
Church of Wide Fellowship	74.51
Circular Congregational	30.96
Fuller's Chapel	25.00
Henderson	75.00
Liberty (Vance)	110.00
Piney Plains	30.00
Pleasant Hill	28.38
Raleigh	155.00
Sanford	75.00
Shallow Well	75.00
Turner's Chapel	26.25
Wake Chapel	58.45
Youngsville	15.00
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	\$ 790.55

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Liberty (Vance)	\$ 2.05
Wake Chapel	10.00
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	\$ 12.05

CRADLE ROLLS.

Turner's Chapel	\$.60
Total for all Societies	\$ 803.20

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET ALSTON,
Vice-President.

While the report was pending Rev. F. C. Lester, a member of the Prudential Committee on Foreign Mission spoke of the work of the committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Today there are more books, more magazines and more newspapers than ever before in the history of our land. People are reading, they are realizing that in order to be a well rounded person they must know what is going on in the world today. There is no better way than through the printed pages. Yet, with all kinds of literature before us, we must pick and choose what we shall read. We cannot afford to throw away our time in reading trash.

Therefore, we recommend:

1. That each pastor stress the importance of reading daily the Book of Books.
2. That we strive to have our church paper in each home. Only through our *Sun* can we know what our churches are doing for God and His Kingdom.
3. That some person in each church acquainted with the "Pilgrim's High Road" recommend it to your group of young people. It is one of the best magazines I know of for Young People.
4. That, if possible, we would like to see, recommendations from time to time in *The Christian Sun*, about worth while books to read and study, also a Literature Committee in each church would mean more and better reading. This Committee wouldn't necessarily have to recommend a book, but they might call our attention to certain articles in *The Christian Sun* and other magazines.
5. That we stress the importance of using our own literature.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. B. M. NEWMAN,
MARGARET ALSTON,
Committee.

Rev. F. C. Lester, editor of *The Christian Sun*, spoke on, "Our Publications."

REPORT OF HISTORIAN.

We have at Elon College a church history room in which has been placed historical material relating to the work and progress of our church. All churches that have old church record books should send them to this fire-proof room for safe keeping. When Church anniversaries are held, a copy of the history of the church should be sent to Mrs. Ola M. Johnston, Librarian, Elon College, North Carolina. If any member of the Conference has in his possession any old church annuals, books written by our past church leaders, or any old copies of *The Christian Sun*, they should be sent to the church history room for preservation.

It was on August 4, 1794 that the seceded Methodists met in Old Lebanon Church, Surry County, Virginia, and organized what has been dear to the hearts of many, *The Christian Church*.

The principles set forth at that meeting have come down through the years practically unchanged. Today we are guided by those Five Cardinal Principles which are, in short:

1. The Lord Jesus Christ the Only Head of the Church.
2. The name Christian to the exclusion of all party and sectarian names.
3. The Holy Bible, or the Scripture of the Old and New Testament our only creed, and a sufficient rule of faith and practice.

4. Christian Character or vital piety, the only test of Church membership and fellowship.

5. The right of private judgment, and liberty of conscience the privilege and duty of all.

For about thirty years after the formation of these Cardinal Principles, Mr. O'Kelly and his ministerial friends traveled extensively in North Carolina and Virginia endeavoring to establish in the hearts and minds of the people the value of the Christian Church. During Mr. O'Kelly's life time the Church flourished and there were many added to its fellowship.

Mr. O'Kelly died at the age of ninety-two, at his home in Chatham County, North Carolina, on the sixteenth day of October, 1826.

After his death there seemed to be a lull in the progress of the work for several years, and not until the day of Rev. W. B. Wellons did the Church seem to take on new strength and better organization.

From a historical standpoint, the Eastern North Carolina Conference has within its bounds many places of interest for those who love and cherish the church founded by Rev. James O'Kelly.

The first place of historical interest to us is O'Kelly's Chapel, located on Highway No. 55, about ten miles south of Durham, North Carolina. "This is, probably, the only remaining church for which James O'Kelly preached." And now for over one hundred and forty years it has been a place of interest and reverence.

The second place of historical interest is about a mile south of the church on the O'Kelly farm, where now stands over the grave of Rev. James O'Kelly, a monument to his memory. The monument is of granite and the rays of each setting sun shine upon the following inscription:

ERECTED
BY HIS
CHRISTIAN FRIENDS
TO THE MEMORY OF
JAMES O'KELLY
OF NORTH CAROLINA
THE SOUTHERN CHAMPION
OF
CHRISTIAN FREEDOM

We must not conclude that this "Christian Freedom" prohibited the coming together of the churches in a deliberative capacity. After the organization meeting of 1794, at Old Lebanon Church, "The Christians met annually (for the next twenty-four years) in a deliberative capacity and these meetings were called 'General Meetings' and afterwards 'Union Meetings.'"

Finally when churches became more closely situated there came an interest in the organization of several churches into a Conference. The first move of this type was in Eastern Virginia in the year 1817, at Holy Neck Chapel in Nansemond County. The second move was in 1823 when the North Carolina and Virginia Conference was organized at Union Church, Alamance County, North Carolina. This Conference included all the churches that had been organized in this area. Later came the organization of the Georgia and Alabama, the Valley of Virginia, Deep River (Western North Carolina Conference), and in 1894 the organization of the churches of Eastern North Carolina into a conference of their own. When the General Convention of the Christian Church, South, met in Norfolk, Virginia, 1894, a petition was read asking the convention to permit a re-drawing of the conference lines so as to form the third conference in North Carolina. This conference was to be known as the "Raleigh Christian Conference," and its boundaries were to be as follows:

Beginning at Fayetteville, follow the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad to Sanford, thence with the Seaboard Railroad to Haw River, thence with Haw River up to the Granite Cotton Mills, thence with the North Carolina Railroad

to Durham, thence with the Oxford and Clarksville Railroad to Keyesville, Virginia.

After the General Convention granted the above request, a motion prevailed that the Raleigh Christian Conference be given permission to change or choose its name.

The third place of historical interest is Christian Chapel, Chatham County, North Carolina, where the first session of the newly organized conference was held November 27, 1894, with Honorable S. P. Beard, presiding.

Historical interest, also, centers around Good Hope Church where representative men met in 1874 and organized the Southern Christian Association. This was to be an organization for the purpose of drawing the various conferences into a closer fellowship. This organization failed because its scope and strength were not adequate for this growing church.

So, we now turn to Mount Auburn Church who, in 1856, served as host to the second session of the General Convention of the Christian Church, South, at which meeting our church finally took steps for the publication of a religious directory which was to contain a statement of the principles and beliefs of the Christian Church, South. This was, in my estimation, the greatest forward step of our church prior to the merger. I say this because it clarified the actual position of the Christian's in the South.

I return now for a closing word about our Conference. There were in 1894 (the time of the first session of the newly organized conference), 37 churches, with a total membership of 2,692 members. There were 8 ordained ministers and 6 licentiates. Our church property in 1894 was valued at \$29,150.00. Comparing these figures with last year's reports we observe the following: 48 churches (a gain of 11 in forty-three years); 5,424 members (a gain of 2,732 during the forty-three years); 15 ordained ministers (a gain of seven); 2 licentiates, and church property \$339,750.00 (an increase of \$370,600.00 in the value of church property).

By a vote of this Conference the Congregational Church are now a part of our fellowship. For this move and for the fellowship of these Congregational brethren, we should thank our Heavenly Father.

Let us pray that unity may prevail to the end; that we may be one in Christ; for in so doing, and *only* in so doing, can we grow in numbers and in the Grace of God.

J. EVERETT NEESE,
Conference Historian.

Dr. Stanley C. Harrell introduced to Conference, Dr. Trela D. Collins, Executive Secretary of "The North Carolina Council of Churches."

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND THE STANDING OF THE MINISTRY.

For nearly fifty years Elon College has been an outstanding factor in advancing the youth of the churches of the Southern Convention. Elon is now emerging from the enormous burden of debt under the capable leadership of Dr. L. E. Smith, the president. The College has trained lay members as well as ministers to fill important places in many of our churches. Its enrollment of 550 students this year is the largest in the history of the College. This Committee believes that all the churches and ministers of this Conference should give their whole-hearted cooperation and support to the advancement of this worthy institution.

The day has passed when a church can hope to succeed without a denominational school. Our ministers need educational advantages through a church college, and so do the leaders of our churches if we are to advance in Kingdom development.

Rev. J. Edward Kirbye, D. D., a member in good and regular standing of the Conference of the Congregational Church of the Carolinas, makes request to

unite with this Conference. We recommend that he be received into regular standing.

W. A. Grissom, a licentiate of this Conference, who is doing graduate work at Yale Divinity School, asks that his license be continued. This Committee recommends that the Conference continue his license as a probationer of the Gospel.

We realize the ethical standards to which ministers should conform are high and sacred, and believe a true minister will seek to be witness for Christ at all times. We, therefore, recommend:

1. That this Conference hold up the education standards of ministerial students equal to any other conference of the Southern Convention.

2. That ministers realize the value of Christian brotherhood and fellowship; and that they strengthen their fellowship by attending monthly meetings of the Piedmont Ministerial Association which meets at Elon College on Monday after the second Sunday in each month.

3. That ministers attend some Bible Conference each year—we recommend the Rural Pastor's School held at Duke University each summer; also Elon Summer School of Leadership Training.

4. That ministers support Elon College in the campaign to clear the College of its indebtedness.

5. That we guard our Conference against the entrance of those who have not proven themselves worthy.

Respectfully submitted,

S. E. MADREN,
G. N. EDWARDS,
F. ERVIN HYDE,

Committee.

Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College, addressed the Conference on, "Our College, and the Educational Interest of the Church."

Conference adjourned for lunch.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President at 1:30.

Song Service was conducted by Rev. S. E. Madren.

Dr. Trela D. Collins conducted the Worship Service and spoke of the work of the Council throughout the State.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

We, your Nominating Committee, submit nominations for the ensuing year: *Officers of Conference*—President, Rev. F. Ervin Hyde; Vice-President, Dr. Geo. N. Edwards; Secretary, Rev. E. M. Carter; Assistant Secretary, Rev. J. Everett Neese; Treasurer, W. J. Ballentine.

Ministers as Delegates to the Southern Convention—E. M. Carter, J. A. Denton, J. L. Foster, R. T. Grissom, F. E. Hyde, J. L. Johnson, S. E. Madren, J. E. Neese, C. Rexford Raymond, M. T. Sorrell, C. H. Voss, W. C. Wicker, Geo. N. Edwards.

Lay Delegates to the Southern Convention—J. S. Johnson, Fuquay Springs, N. C.; L. L. Vaughan, College Station, Raleigh, N. C.; C. D. Harton, Henderson, N. C.; Mrs. E. W. Bashart, Raleigh, N. C.; W. J. Ballentine, Fuquay Springs, N. C.; J. A. Kimball, Manson, N. C.; Miss Margaret Alston, Henderson, N. C.; W. H. Hudson, Youngsville, N. C.; W. S. Briggs, Henderson, N. C.;

Mrs. J. Everett Neese, Henderson, N. C.; J. F. Hilliard, Cary, N. C.; Mrs. E. M. Carter, Youngsville, N. C.

J. EVERETT NEESE,
K. B. JOHNSON,
W. H. HUDSON,
S. E. MADREN,
G. N. EDWARDS,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance beg to report as follows:

We have checked the Treasurer's receipt books and expense vouchers and find them correct, as follows:

Balance on hand at Conference, 1936	\$ 225.91
Receipts at Conference, 1936	1,361.46
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Total receipts	\$1,587.37
Disbursements	1,185.25
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Balance on hand	\$ 402.12

The Treasurer reports that he has collected, at this session of Conference, \$1,139.38.

We request that no church payments carry odd cents; and that no committee, or board make any apportionments carrying odd cents.

JAS. L. FOSTER,
W. S. BRIGGS,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

Since we understand that our Superannuates are increasing more rapidly than our income for them; and as our apportionments for this fund are very small and hardly adequate to meet the needs, we recommend that all churches be urged to raise this fund in full, if possible.

And, that all churches, stress the Christmas Offering to be taken for Superannuation; and in this way raise as much as possible, which amount will be counted on the Conference Apportionments.

K. B. JOHNSON,
W. H. HUDSON,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, the Committee on Resolutions, are grateful for all that this Conference has meant to the assembled delegates and visitors and we would submit the following report:

1. That this Conference express its appreciation to the officers and committees of this organization for the splendid program of these two days.

2. That we extend our thanks to the pastor, members and friends of this church for their thoughtfulness and hospitality.

4. That we congratulate the Rev. F. Ervin Hyde, our Vice-President on the sympathetic and efficient manner in which he chaired the Conference.

5. That we take note of the remarkable spirit of harmony and Christian fellowship prevailing throughout this Conference.

6. That we, as pastors and delegates, return to our local churches with an inspired determination to carry out the various recommendations and suggestions of this Conference.

CARL HERMANN VOSS,
J. LEE JOHNSON,
J. A. DENTON,
Committee.

Upon the invitation of Wake Chapel Christian Church, it was voted to hold the next session with said church.

Rev. F. E. Hyde was elected to represent the Conference in the North Carolina Council of Churches which is to meet in Raleigh, January 18-20, 1938.

The President appointed Standing Committees as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Executive—Rev. F. Ervin Hyde, Rev. E. M. Carter, Dr. C. Rexford Raymond.

Educational and Missionary Standing—Rev. J. Everett Neese, Rev. S. E. Madren, Rev. Geo. N. Edwards.

Foreign Missions—Rev. S. E. Madren, Rev. M. T. Sorrell, C. D. Harton.

Home Missions—A. H. McIver, L. L. Vaughan, K. B. Johnson.

Evangelism—Rev. J. Lee Johnson, Rev. J. A. Denton, Rev. E. M. Carter.

Social Service—Rev. Carl H. Voss, Rev. J. E. Franks, J. A. Kimball.

Religious Literature—Rev. R. T. Grissom, Mrs. C. H. Stephenson, Charles Dunn.

Stewardship—Rev. J. A. Denton, Mrs. B. M. Newman, W. H. Hudson.

Superannuation—K. B. Johnson, J. Walker Kelly, J. F. Hilliard.

Apportionments—L. L. Vaughan, W. J. Ballentine.

Special Finance—Rev. J. L. Foster, W. S. Briggs, A. H. McIver.

Program—The President of the Conference, Secretary, Pastor of Host Church.

Christian Education—Pres. of S. S. and C. E. Convention, Marvin McCauley, Miss Margaret Alston.

Conference Historian—Rev. J. E. Neese.

Conference Reporter—Mrs. J. E. Neese.

It was moved and carried that the Minutes be printed in THE ANNUAL, and that we purchase seventy-five copies which are to be mailed by the publisher to the Church Secretaries and Officers.

By motion the Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Wake Chapel on Tuesday, after the third Sunday in November, 1938, at 10:00 A. M.

REV. F. E. HYDE,
President.

REV. E. M. CARTER,
Secretary.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

E. M. Carter—Churches: Good Hope, Youngsville, Mt. Auburn, Fuller's Chapel, Moore's Union, Lebanon. Sermons, 121; conversions, don't know; members received, 15; baptisms, 11; visits, 400; marriages, 10; funerals, 13; salary, \$900.00.

J. A. Denton—Churches: Ebenezer, Glendon, Grace's Chapel, Zion. Sermons, 133; conversions, 40; baptisms, 22; members received, 25; marriages, 5; funerals, 15; salary, \$1,200.00.

Geo. N. Edwards—Church: Circular, Charleston. Sermons, 58; addresses, 25; conversions, 1; members received, 1; visits, 623; marriages, 3; funerals, 3; salary, \$1,663.73.

Jas. L. Foster—Churches: Howard's Chapel, Graham, Newsom's Chapel (mission). Sermons, 59; addresses, 5; visits, 85; funerals, 1; salary, \$166.12.

J. E. Franks—No report.

R. T. Grissom—Churches: Lee's Chapel, New Hope, Christian Light, New Elam, Auburn, Amelia, Clayton. Sermons, 172; addresses, 4; conversions, unknown; members received, 41; baptisms, 36; visits, many; marriages, 3; funerals, 7; salary, \$700.00.

B. J. Howard—Churches, none. Sermons, 1; addresses, several; marriages, 1; funerals, 2.

F. E. Hyde—Churches: Sanford, Shallow Well, supply for Niagara. Sermons, 147; conversions, unknown; members received, 51; baptisms, 33; visits, 1,173; marriages, 8; funerals, 18; salary, \$1,200.00.

J. Lee Johnson—Churches: Catawba Springs, Wentworth, Bethel, Piney Plain, Wake Chapel, Pleasant Hill, Pleasant Union. Sermons, 100; conversions, many; members received, 18; baptisms, 11; visits, 200; marriages, 6; funerals, 10; salary, \$1,075.00.

S. E. Madren—Churches: Liberty, Mt. Gilead, Mt. Carmel, Pope's Chapel, Oak Level; supply for Antioch and Bethlehem. Sermons, 139; conversions, 26; members received, 24; baptisms, 21; visits, 670; marriages, 9; funerals, 21; salary, \$1,270.00.

J. E. Neese—Church: Henderson. Sermons, 104; addresses, 8; conversions, 12; members received, 15; baptisms, 8; visits, 385; marriages, 4; funerals, 5; salary, \$1,000.00, and parsonage.

M. T. Sorrell—Churches: Danville, Happy Home, Blair's Community. Sermons, 171; addresses, 50; conversions, 456; members received, 85; baptisms, 36; visits, 1,121; funerals, 45; salary, \$1,910.00.

Carl H. Voss—Church: Raleigh. Sermons, 60; conversions, don't know; addresses, 75; members received, 23; baptisms, 3; visits, 400; marriages, 4; funerals, 3; salary, \$1,800.00.

W. C. Wicker—Church: Pleasant Grove (Va.). Sermons, 5; conversions, 10; members received, 8; baptisms, 8; visits, 12; marriages, 1; funerals, 1; salary, \$300.00.

LICENTIATE.

W. A. Grissom—Churches: Plymouth, Hayes Chapel, Cary, Mebane, Damascus. Sermons, 85; addresses, 3; conversions, 16; members received, 11; visits, 200; funerals, 4; salary, \$400.00.

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CHURCH STATISTICS—EAST

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Members Received During the Year.	Present Membership.	Conference Fund.	Convention Fund
Amelia.....	R. T. Grissom.....	Mrs. B. Lee Penny, Clayton, R. 2.....	83	11	92	\$ 2	
Antioch.....	S. E. Madren.....	A. L. Wall, Elams.....	90	2	89		
Auburn.....	R. T. Grissom.....	Earlie Jones, Raleigh, R. 2.....	98	97	\$ 5.00		
Bethel.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	S. W. Holleman, New Hill.....	37	34	15.00	10	
Bethlehem.....	S. E. Madren.....	R. D. Daniel, Littleton, R. D.....	47	47	10.00		
Beulah.....	R. T. Grissom.....	J. B. Edwards, Wake Forest, R. 2.....	120	10	129		12
Caroleigh.....			17		17		
Cary.....	W. A. Grissom.....	J. F. Hilliard, Cary.....	26		25		
Catawba Springs.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	T. C. Buchanan, Apex, R. 1.....	224		224		
Chapel Hill.....			63		63		
Charleston.....	Geo. N. Edwards.....	Agnes Kessler, 9 King St., Ch'l on S.C.....	60	1	59	151.73	
Christian Light.....	R. T. Grissom.....	E. M. Blanchard, Fuquay Springs.....	123	8	130		12
Christian Chapel.....	G. M. Talley.....	Royce B. Dickens, Corinth.....	148		145		
Clayton.....	R. T. Grissom.....	H. E. Nichols, Clayton.....	51		51		
Damascus.....	W. A. Grissom.....	Louise Crabtree, Chapel Hill, R. 3.....	93		93		3
Ebenezer.....	J. A. Denton.....	C. Bruce Sanders, Morrisville R. 1.....	221		221		
Fuller's Chapel.....	E. M. Carter.....	Margaret Edwards, Henderson, R. 4.....	109	10	114	4.50	
Good Hope.....	E. M. Carter.....	Cora Davis Perry, Youngsville, R. D.....	101	1	98	1.50	5
Hayes Chapel.....	W. A. Grissom.....	A. L. Hatcher, Garner.....	64		61	14.00	
Henderson.....	J. E. Neese.....	C. D. Newman, Henderson.....	154	15	160	7.50	24
Lebanon.....	E. M. Carter.....	Mrs. B. L. Mansfield, Sanford, R. 2.....	25		25		
Lee's Chapel.....	R. T. Grissom.....		56		54		5
Liberty.....	S. E. Madren.....	Margaret P. Alston, Henderson, R. 1.....	400	5	395		43
Martha's Chapel.....		W. C. Morgan, Apex, N. C., R. 3.....					
Mebane.....	W. A. Grissom.....	J. O. Fowler, Mebane.....	17		16		10
Morrisville.....	J. S. Carden.....	E. W. Clements, Morrisville.....	25	3	28	9.23	
Moore Union.....	E. M. Carter.....	Mrs. J. W. Lett, Jonesboro, R. 2.....	97	1	97		
Mt. Auburn.....	E. M. Carter.....	J. L. Read, Norlina, R. D.....	184	4	151		
Mt. Carmel.....	S. E. Madren.....	Eva B. May, Franklinton, R. 1.....	117	5	112	12.77	3
Mt. Gilead.....	S. E. Madren.....	Susie Hight, Louisburg, R. 2.....	155	4	155		10
Mt. Hermon.....	J. S. Carden.....	Mamie Mumford, Garner, R. 2.....	28	16	44		
New Elam.....	R. T. Grissom.....	Blanche Holt, New Hill, R. 2.....	283	21	291	5.75	1
New Hope.....	R. T. Grissom.....	John Chamblee, Louisburg, R. 1.....	212	9	203		
Niagara.....		Evelyn Snipes, Niagara.....	8		8		
Oak Level.....	S. E. Madren.....	J. W. Hudson, Youngsville, R. D.....	128	5	128	2.00	2
Piney Plain.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	Mrs. C. W. Franklin, Raleigh, R. 4.....	98	4	99	8.00	35
Pleasant Hill.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	Jasper Surles, Four Oaks.....	81		78		
Pleasant Union.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	Buio Long, Lillington, R. 1.....	130		127	25.00	35
Plymouth.....	W. A. Grissom.....	B. G. Partin, Raleigh, R. 3.....	83	10	89	13.00	
Pope's Chapel.....	S. E. Madren.....	H. G. Holmes, Franklinton, R. 1.....	115	2	114	3.00	5
Raleigh.....	Carl H. Voss.....	Robt. Schmidt, College Sta., Raleigh.....	340	19	260	9.50	45
Sanford.....	F. E. Hyde.....	Stella Stout, Sanford.....	179	18	195	6.30	8
Shallow Well.....	F. E. Hyde.....	L. J. Sloan, Jonesboro.....	197	20	212	15.00	10
Southern Pines.....	V. A. Taylor.....	Norris L. Hodgekin, Southern Pines.....	172	16	178		
Turner's Chapel.....	J. A. Denton.....	Mrs. R. L. Ross, Sanford, R. 5.....	73	3	75		
Wake Chapel.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	H. W. Johnson, Fuquay Springs.....	211	2	209	12.00	38
Wentworth.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	Mrs. G. M. Williams, Raleigh, R. 3.....	112	1	98	3.75	3
Youngville.....	E. M. Carter.....	W. G. Scarborough, Youngsville.....	43	2	44	2.75	8
Totals.....			5,498	228	5,434	\$ 337.28	\$ 333.5

RTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Foreign Missions.	Convention Missions.	Elon College Fund.	Superannuation Fund.	Raised for Christian Education.	Raised for the Orphanage.	Raised by Missionary Societies	Raised for Other Benevolences.	Raised by Sunday Schools.	Expenses, Including Debt and Equipment.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Total Amount Raised.	Value of Church Property.
2.50					\$ 2.00		\$ 7.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 132.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 276.00	\$ 1,000
2.65					11.56			17.00	46.50	100.00	194.71	2,000
8.26					20.17		4.00	25.28	38.01	150.00	250.72	2,000
			\$ 4.61		21.70		20.93			83.00	155.69	1,000
.50					.72		10.00	12.00		35.95	69.17	1,500
					10.00					100.00	116.35	2,000
3.98		\$ 10.83			3.97			36.28	4.82	44.00	103.88	1,500
10.00	\$ 67.57	21.00			12.00		36.90	75.00	1,047.40	2,000.00	3,346.10	50,000
12.50		10.00			35.00		41.80			100.00	211.80	3,000
					3.63					78.00	181.63	2,500
3.00	3.00	3.00	2.00	\$ 1.50				52.23	55.25	83.40	190.88	3,300
22.36		30.18	7.20	2.50	22.36	\$ 50.00	30.45		55.12	150.00	375.57	3,000
5.00		1.50	1.25	1.00	5.00		32.00	12.00		107.75	192.25	2,000
		35.00			2.00			42.00		100.00	192.50	1,100
24.00	24.00	60.00	13.00	6.00	83.88	79.50	59.23	268.78	1,227.87	1,000.00	2,877.76	12,000
		2.50			3.27					50.00	55.77	1,500
43.50		14.41	8.50	4.00	180.60	110.00	15.34	410.00	2,468.50	50.00	96.90	1,200
95.00					9.50				5.00	600.00	3,898.36	8,000
3.68		2.75			5.76			28.17		71.95	122.74	1,500
38.00					3.00			35.00		150.00	491.30	1,500
		5.20			118.10				106.00	250.00	492.48	7,000
					1.96		39.50	63.71	81.00	125.00	282.00	1,200
					2.00			20.00	18.00	125.00	175.00	1,200
16.00					16.00			48.10		125.00	205.00	1,500
5.17			1.85		32.59		83.89	91.34		156.00	342.55	3,000
					35.00			56.48	51.00	150.00	321.33	3,000
10.00	9.76	5.00	5.00					20.86			20.86	1,000
					20.00		20.00	52.35	40.00	150.00	316.11	4,000
13.50				21.50	25.00	30.00	35.00			120.75	289.26	2,000
30.16		6.00	7.71		20.00			10.00	16.56	70.00	116.56	1,000
					50.00		50.00	28.67	50.00	157.00	439.54	10,000
7.00	7.00	5.00	4.00	2.27	35.89		13.00	27.15	47.00	100.00	236.54	4,000
					25.00		5.00	42.75	72.22	162.00	325.36	2,500
		50.00	12.00		36.10	300.00	41.39	178.46	1,590.67	1,800.00	4,063.41	125,000
15.00	15.00	14.00	3.70	3.00	60.00	75.00	45.00	294.00	619.00	675.00	1,858.00	5,000
15.00	12.70	10.50	5.00	5.00	60.00	75.00	30.00	117.77	216.75	475.00	1,032.12	4,000
		47.50	28.08		12.15	75.00	282.00	55.92	11,029.75	1,470.00	13,000.75	76,000
		13.88	4.00		28.77			78.60		115.82	241.07	2,000
38.00	38.00	96.00	19.20	9.60	190.00	58.50	150.00	94.13	72.00	300.00	1,115.43	15,000
12.00	12.00	13.10			120.00		44.00		30.00	200.00	414.20	2,000
8.48	8.48	21.20	4.24	2.12	25.00	15.00	34.36	142.00	40.56	201.00	742.48	4,000
445.24	\$ 197.01	\$ 472.85	\$ 136.54	\$ 58.49	\$1349.88	\$ 868.00	\$1152.79	\$2510.43	\$19,508.40	\$11,606.02	\$57,564.53	\$381,500

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SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—EASTERN N. C. CONFERENCE.

SUNDAY SCHOOL	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Total Number on Roll.	Amount Raised During Year.
Amelia.....	W. T. Johnson, Clayton, N. C., R. 2.....	7	65	\$ 50.00
Antioch.....	S. B. Spragins, Gasburg, Va.....	6	41	19.00
Auburn.....	Earlie Jones, Raleigh, N. C., R. 2.....	13	66	67.48
Bethlehem.....	W. A. Moore, Littleton, N. C., R. 3.....	9	35	12.00
Beulah.....	A. R. Perry, Wake Forest, N. C., R. 2.....	8	126	40.00
Charleston.....	R. A. Kessler, 4 S. Pitt St., Chls'n, S. C.....	8	50	75.00
Christian Light.....	W. E. Hardee, Fuquay Springs, N. C.....	9	129	25.00
Christian Chapel.....	R. M. Cotton, Merry Oaks, N. C.....	6	52	18.00
Damascus.....	Robert Daniel, Chapel Hill, N. C., R. 3.....	5	60	52.33
Fuller's Chapel.....	W. S. Briggs, Henderson, N. C., R. 4.....	10	60	40.00
Good Hope.....	Z. T. May, Youngsville, N. C., R. D.....	6	61	15.00
Hayes Chapel.....	L. H. Walton, Garner, N. C.....	6	30	44.00
Henderson.....	John A. Hall, Henderson, N. C.....	10	95	268.78
Lebanon.....	E. L. Pattishall, Sanford, N. C., R. 2.....	8	38	12.00
Lee's Chapel.....	Emery Buchanan, Sanford, N. C., R. D.....	7	49	22.40
Liberty.....	R. C. Ausbon, Henderson, N. C., R. 1.....	24	277	410.00
Mebane.....	J. O. Fowler, Mebane, N. C.....	4	34	12.00
Morrisville.....	R. B. Gupton, Morrisville, N. C.....	7	27	28.17
Moore's Union.....	N. G. Burnes, Sanford, N. C., R. 2.....	6	84	30.00
Mt. Auburn.....	J. A. Kimball, Manson, N. C.....	8	70	35.00
Mt. Carmel.....	R. N. Evans, Franklinton, N. C., R. 1.....	17	108	63.71
Mt. Gilead.....	J. B. Hight, Louisburg, N. C., R. 2.....	7	35	20.00
Mt. Hermon.....	Guy Smith, Garner, N. C., R. 1.....	8	72	48.00
New Elam.....	G. F. Carr, New Hill, N. C., R. 2.....	7	87	91.34
New Hope.....	A. L. Arnold, Louisburg, N. C., R. 1.....	11	142	56.48
Niagara.....	L. D. Rhodes, Niagara, N. C.....	6	29	20.86
Oak Level.....	J. W. Hudson, Youngsville, N. C., R. 1.....	6	58	52.35
Piney Plains.....	J. B. Stephens, Raleigh, N. C., R. 4.....	5	70	54.27
Pleasant Hill.....	Brookes Creech, Benson, N. C.....	7	72	10.00
Pleasant Union.....	M. E. Wilder, Littleton, N. C., R. 1.....	9	97	28.67
Plymouth.....	W. B. Rowland, Raleigh, N. C., R. 3.....	6	46	22.00
Pope's Chapel.....	Ethel Holmes, Franklinton, N. C., R. 1.....	7	78	42.00
Raleigh.....	Mrs. Robt. Schmidt, College Station.....	14	120	178.46
Sanford.....	W. C. Farrell, Sanford, N. C.....	16	253	294.00
Shallow Well.....	F. F. Watson, Sanford, N. C.....	11	123	117.77
Southern Pines.....	Chas. L. Austin, Southern Pines, N. C.....	18	180	173.80
Turner's Chapel.....	E. S. Wicker, Sanford, N. C., R. 5.....	8	83	78.60
Wake Chapel.....	D. J. Ellis, Fuquay Springs, N. C.....	11	120	94.13
Wentworth.....	B. L. Brown, Raleigh, N. C., R. 3.....	8	72	50.00
Youngsville.....	Mrs. E. M. Carter, Youngsville, N. C.....	7	40	142.00
Totals.....	.....	356	3,334	\$ 2,914.54

Minutes of the Forty-Sixth Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Missionary Association.

WAVERLY CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
DECEMBER 7, 1937.

MORNING SESSION.

The forty-sixth annual session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Missionary Association was called to order by Rev. J. F. Morgan, President, at 10:30 o'clock. Song Service conducted by Rev. O. D. Poythress. The hymns, "Come, Thou Almighty King," and "Stand Up for Jesus," were sung. The Devotional Service was conducted by the Rev. F. C. Lester.

The report of the Treasurer, Brother B. D. Jones, for 1936 and 1937, was read by Dr. John G. Truitt and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1936		RECEIPTS.	
Dec. 8	Balance in bank	\$	25.19
Dec. 9	Deposited		930.00
Dec. 9	Mrs. J. J. Gomer		5.00
Dec. 9	Rev. H. E. Rountree		10.00
Dec. 28	Men's Bible Class, First, Portsmouth		10.00
Dec. 28	Templemen's Bible Class, Christian Temple		10.00
Jan. 7	Waverly Sunday school, Judge West Memorial		10.00
Jan. 7	Mrs. E. L. Grey		5.00
Jan. 7	Mrs. E. L. Grey Sunday School Class		2.50
Jan. 7	Mrs. J. B. Little Sunday School Class		1.00
Total			\$1,008.69
1936-'37		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Dec. 14	Paid Rev. J. A. French for postage	\$	5.00
Dec. 14	Paid Rev. J. F. Morgan		1.00
Dec. 14	Paid Rev. T. N. Lowe, Hopewell, Va., on pastor's salary .		100.00
Dec. 14	Paid Prudential Insurance Co of America for South Norfolk Church		315.00
Dec. 14	Paid Rev. S. W. Phillips, Elm Ave., Portsmouth, Va., interest on mortgage		100.00
Dec. 14	Paid C. D. West, Newport News, Va., on mortgage debt .		300.00
Dec. 14	Paid Rev. J. A. French, Ocean View, Va., on mortgage debt		125.00
Total		\$	946.00
Balance in bank			62.69
			\$1,008.69

B. D. JONES, *Treasurer*.

It was voted that the report of the Treasurer be referred to the Finance Committee, composed of Rev. J. A. French, Rev. F. C. Lester, and Rev. O. D. Poythress.

It was voted that the report of the Program Committee be adopted as the order of the day, subject to such changes as necessary.

The enrollment of the delegates and collection of dues was conducted by the Rev. J. A. French, Chairman of the Finance Committee, as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCIAL SECRETARY.

Berea, Norfolk—M. W. Hollowell, \$10.00; Sunday school, \$10.00; Men's Bible Class, \$10.00; Mrs. P. L. Nichols, \$5.00; Mrs. F. N. Hall, \$5.00; Mrs. E. A. Eason, \$5.00. Total, \$45.00.

Bethlehem—Ladies Aid, \$10.00. Total, \$10.00.

Christian Temple—Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, \$10.00; Church, \$10.00; Church Mission Treasurer, \$10.00; Sunday school, \$10.00; S. S. Mission Treasurer, \$10.00; Woman's Council, \$20.00; Twiddy Bible Class, \$10.00; Friendship Bible Class, \$10.00; Dorcas Class, \$10.00; Templemen's Bible Class, \$10.00; F. M. Brewer, \$10.00; T. E. Brickhouse, \$10.00; Mrs. T. E. Brickhouse, \$5.00; Mrs. L. W. Stagg, \$5.00; Mrs. A. B. Jarvis (Memorial to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ely), \$5.00; Mrs. R. B. Wood (Memorial to Mrs. Hattie Savage), \$5.00. Total, \$150.00.

Elm Avenue—Young People's Class, \$10.00; Sunday school, \$10.00; Mrs. S. G. Knick, \$5.00. Total, \$25.00.

First, Norfolk—Rev. F. C. Lester, \$10.00; Ladies' Bible Class, \$5.00. Total, \$15.00.

First, Portsmouth—Rev. R. L. House, \$10.00; Church, \$10.00; Sunday school, \$10.00. Total, \$30.00.

Holland—Church, \$10.00; Sunday school, \$10.00; Men's Bible Class, \$10.00; Mrs. R. H. Reidel, \$5.00. Total, \$35.00.

Holy Neck—Church, \$10.00; Sunday school, \$10.00. Total, \$20.00.

Liberty Spring—Rev. I. W. Johnson, \$10.00; Church, \$10.00; Sunday school, \$10.00; A. H. Savage Class, \$10.00; Bertie Johnson Class, \$10.00; R. E. Rogers Class, \$10.00; I. T. Byrd, \$10.00; Joel E. Harrell, \$10.00; Mrs. Joel E. Harrell, \$5.00; Mrs. I. W. Johnson, \$5.00; Mrs. F. F. Brinkley, \$5.00; Mrs. G. O. O'Berry, \$5.00. Total, \$100.00.

Newport News—Rev. Jesse H. Dollar, \$10.00; Church, \$10.00; Sunday school, \$10.00; Choir, \$10.00; Ladies' Aid, \$10.00; Missionary Society, \$10.00; Men's Bible Class, \$10.00; Ladies' Bible Class, \$10.00; R. L. Baker, \$10.00; C. D. West, \$10.00; J. E. Pope, \$10.00; Mrs. W. B. Baker, \$5.00; Mrs. R. L. Baker, \$5.00; Mrs. W. H. Baker, \$5.00; Mrs. J. T. Irby, \$5.00; Mrs. R. C. Jarrett, \$5.00; Mrs. R. E. Pulley, \$5.00; Mrs. F. W. Vaughan, \$5.00. Total, \$145.00.

Oakland—Sunday school, \$10.00. Total, \$10.00.

Ocean View—Rev. Joe A. French, \$10.00; Adult Bible Class, \$10.00. Total, \$20.00.

Rosemont—Rev. J. F. Morgan, \$10.00; Men's Bible Class, \$10.00; Church, \$10.00; Mrs. B. F. Gibson, \$5.00; Mrs. Ruth M. Smith, \$5.00. Total, \$40.00.

South Norfolk—Sunday school, \$10.00; Ladies' Aid, \$10.00; Ladies' Bible Class, \$10.00. Total, \$30.00.

Suffolk—Rev. John G. Truitt, \$10.00; Church, \$10.00; Sunday school, \$20.00; Ladies' Benevolent and Social Union, \$20.00; Philathea Class, \$20.00; Baraca Class, \$10.00; Woman's Missionary Society, \$10.00; W. W. Staley Missionary Society, \$10.00; W. S. Beamon, \$10.00; William Staley Cheatham, \$10.00; D. L. Harrell, \$10.00; E. E. Holland, \$10.00; H. H. Holland, \$10.00; J. E. Rawles, \$10.00; O. S. Smith, Sr., \$10.00; J. E. Vincent, \$10.00; J. E. West, \$10.00; Mrs. C. A. Shoop, \$10.00; Mrs. J. D. McClenny, \$5.00; Mrs. Bessie Creekmore, \$5.00; Mrs. C. B. Duke, \$5.00; Mrs. G. W. Nurney, \$5.00; Mrs. Annie Staley Calhoun, \$5.00; Mrs. J. M. Darden, \$5.00; Miss Jamie Felton, \$5.00; Mrs. W. B. Leathers, \$5.00; Mrs. A. T. Holland, \$5.00. Total, \$265.00.

Waverly—Sunday school, \$10.00; R. T. and Alton West, \$10.00; Victor and Sarah Johnson, \$10.00; Mrs. Ella V. Gray, \$5.00. Total, \$35.00.
Grand total, \$975.00. JOE A. FRENCH, *Financial Secretary*.

The following special committees were appointed:

Committee on Press—Rev. F. C. Lester.

Committee on Place—Rev. T. Fred Wright.

Committee on Nominations—Dr. John G. Truitt, Rev. R. L. House, Dr. I. W. Johnson.

Committee on Finance—Rev. J. A. French, Rev. O. D. Poythress, Rev. F. C. Lester.

It was voted that Dr. John G. Truitt be charged with the duty of carrying the money collected for dues to the Treasurer, Mr. B. D. Jones.

After the singing of the hymn, "O Worship the King," an address was delivered by the Rev. J. E. McCauley on the topic, "The Forward March of the Christian Church."

The hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers," was sung and the Benediction rendered by the Rev. S. W. Phillips. The association then adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order at 1: 30 P. M. by the President, Rev. J. F. Morgan. The hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," was sung. Prayer was offered by Dr. I. W. Johnson.

A special selection, "In the Garden," was rendered by Rev. O. D. Poythress, Rev. J. F. Morgan and Dr. I. W. Johnson, accompanied by Mrs. Johnston, at the piano.

Two minute reports were made by the Home Mission Pastors:

Hopewell—Rev. T. N. Lowe reported that the work is not progressing as we would like. Good attendance prevails in all meetings of all the organizations. The financial situation is not so good.

Elm Avenue—Rev. S. W. Phillips reported that an average of \$30.00 per member had been raised during the year and that the church was carrying on.

South Norfolk—Rev. O. D. Poythress said that the church felt encouraged. Prospects are better. The Sunday school attendance is about the same. Church attendance is better. Finance is better. The missionary society gained fifteen members since conference. We have gained eighteen members this year.

Newport News—Mr. C. D. West reported in the absence of the pastor on account of illness. He stated that the work goes on well. Finance is good in spite of a \$7,200.00 debt. Our church attempts to respond to all financial calls from the conference and convention organizations.

Ocean View—Rev. J. A. French stated that great progress had been made in a financial way after giving a statement on finance. There are prospects for spiritual progress.

A "Talk-A-Round" was conducted by Rev. J. A. French on "Some C. M. A. Facts" as shown by a chart giving figures since 1909 on income and expenditures. In response Mr. C. D. West was of the opinion that C. M. A. should continue to help churches in debt and if other expenditures are anticipated consultation should be made. Rev. O. D. Poythress stated that a church must have a program or

die. New things must be done from time to time. Dr. H. S. Hardcastle stated that the C. M. A. began as a Home Mission project to establish new churches and had departed from the policy to help other churches already established. Col. J. E. West advocated the "Pay-As-You-Go Plan" for the future.

The Rev. J. A. French suggested Junior Memberships at \$5.00 each and Children's Memberships at \$2.00 each as a possible means of increase in finance and an opportunity for greater missionary activity in the local churches. After much discussion the matter was tabled.

The Committee on Nominations made the following report:

President—Rev. J. H. Dollar.
Vice-President—Rev. T. Fred Wright.
Recording Secretary—Miss Edna Fulcher.
Financial Secretary—Rev. J. A. French.
Treasurer—Mr. James Carlton Jones.

The Recording Secretary was instructed to write a letter to Brother B. D. Jones expressing the appreciation of the Association for his faithful and efficient service during the past years.

The Committee on Place had no report. It was voted to meet next year with the Ocean View Church upon invitation by the Pastor.

The report of the Committee on Plans was made and adopted as follows:

1. \$100.00 to Hopewell on Pastor's salary.
2. \$100.00 to Elm Avenue for interest on parsonage debt.
3. \$100.00 to Ocean View on mortgage debt, a final appropriation.
4. \$300.00 to Newport News on mortgage debt.
5. \$400.00 to South Norfolk on mortgage debt or interest on same.

J. E. WEST,
 MRS. JOEL E. HARRELL,
 H. S. HARDCASTLE,
 MRS. I. W. JOHNSON,
Committee.

The entertaining church was given a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality by the Association.

It was voted that the present President order present bills and recommendations by the Committee on Plans be paid by the Treasurer.

The new President, Rev. Jesse H. Dollar, appointed the following Standing Committees for the ensuing year:

Executive Committee—Revs. Jesse H. Dollar, T. Fred Wright, J. A. French, Miss Edna Fulcher and Mr. James C. Jones.

Plans—Col. J. E. West, Rev. R. L. House, Mrs. I. W. Johnson, Dr. H. S. Hardcastle, Mrs. J. E. Harrell.

Finance—Revs. J. A. French, J. F. Morgan, O. D. Poythress.

Membership—Rev. T. Fred Wright, Rev. Carl R. Key, Rev. F. C. Lester, Dr. John G. Truitt, Dr. M. S. Poulson

The Association voted to adjourn. Benediction by Rev. T. Fred Wright.

REV. J. F. MORGAN, *President*.
 REV. CARL R. KEY, *Secretary*.

Minutes of the Fifth Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Confer- ence Missionary Association.

PALM STREET CONGREGATIONAL-CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
GREENSBORO, N. C., DECEMBER 7, 1937.

MORNING SESSION.

The Fifth Annual Session of the Christian Missionary Association of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference met with the Palm Street Church, Greensboro, North Carolina, Tuesday, December 7, 1937, with thirty (30) members and visitors present. The meeting was called to order by the President, Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, at 10 o'clock.

Worship Service was by Rev. G. H. Veazey.

Mr. A. H. Hinshaw, of the local church, spoke words of welcome. Following which the President gave outline of the Program for the day's session. By vote of the Association the program was adopted as outlined.

The President appointed Special Committees as follows:

Nominations—Miss Frankie Marshall and A. H. Hinshaw.

Resolutions—B. J. Earp and Mrs. C. E. Coffin.

Finance—H. V. Simpson and W. M. Stevens.

Place of Meeting—J. L. Neese and G. H. Veazey.

Appropriations—J. H. Lightbourne, G. C. Crutchfield and H. V. Simpson.

Mrs. H. C. Rowland, Treasurer, reported as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

Dec. 8	Balance in Treasury	\$.66
Dec. 8	Rec'd. from dues at C. M. A. meeting	45.00
Dec. 12	Rec'd. from Dr. J. H. Lightbourne	10.00
Dec. 14	Rec'd. from Dr. J. H. Lightbourne	17.50
Jan. 11	Rec'd. from N. C. & Va. Conference	300.00
Jan. 29	Rec'd. from Dr. J. H. Lightbourne	50.00
Sept. 9	Rec'd. from Dr. J. H. Lightbourne	10.00
Sept. 29	Rec'd. from Dr. J. H. Lightbourne	10.00
Oct. 5	Rec'd. from Dr. J. H. Lightbourne	49.50
Oct. 18	Rec'd. from Dr. J. H. Lightbourne	5.00
Oct. 29	Rec'd. from Dr. J. H. Lightbourne	50.00
Nov. 15	Rec'd. from N. C. & Va. Conference	75.00
Nov. 17	Rec'd. from Dr. J. H. Lightbourne	30.00
Nov. 24	Rec'd. from Dr. J. H. Lightbourne	23.00
Dec. 7	Rec'd. from Dr. J. H. Lightbourne	60.00
Total		\$ 735.66

1936		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Dec. 8	To telegram .....	\$	.32
Dec. 8	To Dr. W. M. Jay, balance on '35-'36 salary		25.00
Dec. 14	To Dr. W. M. Jay, on salary		45.00
1937			
Jan. 12	To Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, Belews Creek		100.00
Jan. 22	To Dr. W. M. Jay		30.00
Feb. 17	To Dr. W. M. Jay		25.00
Mar. 24	To Dr. W. M. Jay		25.00
Apr. 4	To Dr. W. M. Jay		25.00
May 26	To Dr. W. M. Jay		25.00
June 25	To Dr. W. M. Jay		25.00
June 29	To Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, Belews Creek		75.00
July 21	To Dr. W. M. Jay		22.50
Sept. 24	To Dr. W. M. Jay		15.00
Oct. 6	To Dr. W. M. Jay		37.50
Nov. 2	To Dr. W. M. Jay		25.00
Nov. 5	To Mr. A. W. Preston, Belews Creek		75.00
Nov. 5	To Morris Plan Bank, on note		50.00
Nov. 7	Balance in Treasury		110.34

\$ 735.66

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS FOR YEAR 1936-1937.

Amount paid to Winston-Salem	\$ 325.00
Amount paid to Belews Creek	250.00
Amount paid Bank on note	50.00
Amount paid for telegram .....	.32

\$ 625.32

Report referred to Finance Committee.

Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, Financial Secretary, reported as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCIAL SECRETARY.

The membership-records for this year are dated from December 8, 1936, inclusive. If membership dues prior to that date were for the year 1936-1937 your Secretary had no way by which to determine it.

Dues have been paid to the Financial Secretary and forwarded to the Treasurer, or to the Treasurer direct. It would be better, perhaps, if all dues were paid through the office of the Financial Secretary.

It is the thought of your Financial Secretary that the Pastor of each church should consider himself a duly constituted representative of the C. M. A. in his church, or churches, with the responsibility of securing memberships, collecting them and reporting them.

The Financial report of the Secretary is carried in his books which will be submitted to the Financial Committee for audit. They show a total received by the C. M. A. for 1936-1937 of \$737.00. (This amount coming from only nine churches. W. M. S.)

J. H. LIGHTBOURNE, *Financial Secretary.*

Report, with books, referred to Finance Committee.

In answer to question raised by some of the members of the Association, it was agreed by the Association that all money paid in through the day of meeting would be credited to the year in which the meeting was held.

Dr. W. M. Jay gave report of progress in Winston-Salem Church. This being one of the churches assisted by the C. M. A.

Rev. J. L. Neese gave report for the Reidsville Church. The C. M. A. has assisted this church in enlarging her church plant.

Rev. G. C. Crutchfield reported that fine progress is being made in the building program at Belews Creek Church. Mr. A. W. Preston, a member of this church, spoke briefly and encouragingly about the work at this church.

Dr. J. H. Lightbourne conducted a very interesting Forum on the work of the C. M. A.

Adjourned for lunch.

Benediction by Rev. W. E. Wisseman.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The afternoon session was called to order at 2 o'clock, by the President.

Worship Service led by Dr. W. M. Jay.

Nominating Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

President—Dr. W. M. Jay.

Vice-President—Rev. B. J. Earp.

Secretary—Rev. Millard Stevens.

Financial Secretary—Dr. J. H. Lightbourne.

Treasurer—Mr. E. B. Rascoe.

A. H. HINSHAW,
FRANKYE MARSHALL,
Committee.

Report adopted and nominees elected.

Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved:

1. That we encourage our churches which are not able to secure full-time pastoral service to group with other nearby churches in cooperation with the Home Mission Committee, and thus avoid the waste of transportation as now practiced by our rural pastors.

2. That we express our appreciation to the speakers and officers of this Association for the excellent service rendered.

3. That we thank, by rising vote, the ladies of Palm Street Church for the excellent noon-day meal, so tastefully prepared and served.

B. J. EARP, *Committee.*

Report adopted.

Finance Committee reported as follows.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We have examined the books and accounts of Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Treasurer, and Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, Financial Secretary, and have found them to be correct as entered.

H. V. SIMPSON,
W. M. STEVENS,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Report of Committee on Place as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE.

We have received an invitation to hold our next meeting with Belews Creek Church.

J. L. NEESE,
G. H. VEAZY,
Committee.

On motion the Association voted to hold next meeting with Belews Creek Church.

Following is the Report of the Committee on Appropriations:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We recommend the following Grants: (1) To Winston-Salem, \$300.00; (2) To Pastoral group No. 1, \$250.00; (3) To Reidsville a minimum of \$100.00.

The Grant to Winston-Salem to be met by twelve monthly payments of \$25.00 each. The Grant to to Group No. 1 to be met by a first payment of \$85.00 and eleven monthly payments of \$15.00 each. The Grant to Reidsville to be met as funds are available, with the understanding that any increase in the sum stated in the Grant will be acted upon by the C. M. A. at its 1938 session.

J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,
H. V. SIMPSON,
Committee.

Dr. W. M. Jay, our new President, came to the chair and appointed Standing Committees as follows:

Committee on Apportionments—H. V. Simpson, A. H. Hinshaw, and J. H. Lightbourne.

Finance Committee—G. C. Crutchfield, W. E. Wisseman, Frankye Marshall.
Program Committee—President, Secretary, and Pastor of host church.

Moved by Dr. Lightbourne that the officers of the Association compose an Executive Committee, and that three members constitute a Quorum.

Motion seconded and adopted.

Rev. B. J. Earp moved that date of meeting be changed from Tuesday, after the first Sunday in December, to Tuesday, September 19th, for 1938.

Motion seconded by Dr. Lightbourne, and after extended discussion, was carried by vote of the Association.

Motion made and carried that the Association adjourn to meet with Belews Creek Church, Tuesday, September 19, 1938, at 10:00.

Benediction by Rev. G. C. Crutchfield.

WM. M. JAY, *President.*
W. MILLARD STEVENS, *Secretary.*

Minutes of the Women's Federation of the Florida State Conference.

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA—APRIL 22, 1937.

MINUTES.

The State Federation of Florida Congregational Women was called to order by the President, Mrs. Robert G. Williams. The guests of the Southeast Convention were welcomed. Mrs. L. A. Wood acted as Secretary pro tem in the absence of Mrs. H. C. James. Roll Call, Minutes as printed were accepted. The President read the Secretary's report which had been made up from the Rating Scale reports. Twenty-four societies responded, West Palm Beach gained the highest rate of the year—96%. Sanford and Orange City each reported a new Junior Society. The President commented upon various phases of reports, bringing out the needs and accomplishments of the women of the state.

It was voted that the Secretary write the two new Junior Societies. The report of the Treasurer was read by the Secretary in the absence of the Treasurer. Report was filed.

Reports of the Friendly Service and Young People's Department Secretaries were read and accepted. The Secretary of the Young People's Department announced that Miss Priscilla Webster of St. Petersburg won the W. Knighton Bloom Memorial Scholarship to the Young People's Conference at Camp Immokalee, sponsored by that department.

The President commented on the pledge for West Tampa not being met thus far. Goal is \$600 but this year only \$447.03 paid. The President appointed Mrs. Conwell, Mrs. McIntyre and Miss Mary Ann Kromer of St. Petersburg, a committee to promote the raising of the fund.

Mrs. Laura K. Gaede read a report of the work of the Young People of the Federation. Report accepted.

Miss Emily Carleton expressed appreciation of the Pilgrim Fellowship to Mr. and Mrs. Williams for their interest in the young people.

Under New Business it was voted that \$600 be pledged to West Tampa Mission, also that the Canned Goods Shower be continued.

An amendment to the Constitution was voted which would make the name of the Department of Inter-Racial Relations read Social Action.

Voted that a gift of a nice lamp be made to Mrs. James, who has been the faithful Secretary of the Federation for the past ten years and who is now asking to be relieved. The following telegram was sent to Mrs. James:

"The Federation of Congregational-Christian Women send love and sympathy for anxious days and kindest wishes to your husband for his speedy recovery.

We are grateful for your ten years of loyal service and wish to express our appreciation in a gift which will come to you soon.

Faithfully yours,

The Federation of Congregational-Christian Women,
MRS. ROBERT G. WILLIAMS, *President*.

Mrs. James was named Chairman of the Friendly Service Committee, and a member of the executive board in the hope that she will be able to carry on her loyal service.

It was voted that a fall meeting be arranged for the Federation.

The Chairman of the Nominating Committee made the following report which was voted accepted:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

President—Mrs. Robert G. Williams, Box 56, Lake Worth, Florida.

Vice-President—Mrs. Helen Conwell, 935½ Ninth Ave., St. Petersburg Fla.

Secretary—Mrs. William T. Scott, 2149 Ernest St., Jacksonville Florida.

Treasurer—Mr. H. J. Feeney, 290 Harbor View, Tampa, Florida.

Association Presidents—Florida East Coast, Mrs. Kerrison Juniper, Ormond, Florida; Florida Southeast Coast, Mrs. Louis McDavit, 1416 Algeria Ave. Coral Gables, Florida; Florida South, to be appointed.

Department Secretaries—Thank Offering, Mrs. George K. Goodwin, Route 1, Dade City, Florida; Friendly Service, Mrs. Henry C. James, Box 208, Orange City, Florida; Prayer Guild, Mrs. George Twiss, Fort Myers, Florida; Young People's Work, Mrs. L. K. Gaede, 427 S. Federal, Lake Worth, Florida; Social Relations, Mrs. Everett B. Leshar, 2311 Ernest Street, Jacksonville, Florida; Auditor, Dr. Lillian Gist, Tampa, Florida.

Trustees for West Tampa Mission—Mrs. Frank McIntyre, 972-12th Avenue, South, St. Petersburg, Florida; Mrs. Fred Woodruff, 104 W. Fern Street, Tampa, Florida.

Nominating Committee—Mrs. Walter Metcalf, Tampa, one year; Mrs. Z. A. Norris, Ormond, two years, completing the term of Mrs. Ullom; Mrs. James E. Parker, New Port Richey, three years.

Members of State Board of Directors—Mrs. Victor B. Chicoine, Winter Park, one year; Mrs. H. C. James, Orange City, two years.

Mrs. William T. Scott gave a splendid report of work and accomplishments in North Carolina after which the Chairman of Resolutions Committee gave the following report:

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.

"We, as members of the Resolutions Committee in behalf of the visiting women to this church do heartily and sincerely extend their thanks and appreciation to the pastor, committees and members for the kindness, courtesy and fellowship shown them,

And be it further resolved that the women of Florida express their appreciation of the splendid fellowship with the women of the Southeast Convention,

And we extend our appreciation to the Y. W. C. A for the courtesy of its dining room at the time of the noonday luncheon,

And we extend our thanks to our Treasurer, Mrs. H. J. Feeney for her efficient services,

And further we express our gratitude to our Secretary, Mrs. James, who has so ably served us for the past ten years, and we are sorry she is unable to be with us at this time."

The meeting adjourned.

LOLA R. WOOD,
Secretary, pro tem.

Minutes of the Tenth Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Woman's Missionary Conference.

NEWPORT CHURCH, JULY 29, 1937.

MORNING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order at 10 o'clock.

The worship service was conducted by Leakesville society in charge of Mrs. R. O. Rothgeb.

The address of welcome was given by Mr. C. W. Louderback.

Representatives were present from Antioch, Bethel, Leakesville, Linville, Newport, and Winchester. The following churches represented by pastors: Concord, Dry Run, Joppa, Island Ford, Mayland, Mt. Lebanon, Mt. Olivet (G), Mt. Olivet (R), Palmyra, St. Peters, Timber Ridge, Whistler's and Wood's Chapel. New Hope and Bethlehem were not represented.

The pastors present were: Revs. Roy D. Coulter, W. J. Andes, R. L. Williamson and R. A. Whitten.

The Young Peoples' Report was read and adopted as follows:

YOUNG PEOPLE'S REPORT.

In this department of our conference we have two societies, i. e., Antioch, 34 members; and Linville, 12 members.

One church, Mt. Olivet (R), does not think it advisable to organize a Young People's Missionary Society, but will give one program each month in Christian Endeavor on missions and send one offering for the support of missions.

As Superintendent of this department I would recommend:

1. Organization of more Young People's societies.
2. Where there is no possibility of organizing a society, the work be carried on in a Sunday school class, Christian Endeavor society, or some similar organization.
3. That we support the mission cause with our prayers, our enlightened interest, and our regular and systematic gifts.
4. That we, as leaders, exercise personal faith in Christ in order to keep alive and carry on the vital cause of missions.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. SHOWALTER,
Supt. of Young People.

The Cradle Roll Report was read and adopted as follows:

CRADLE ROLL REPORT.

As Superintendent of Cradle Rolls, I must, as before, insist that every church have a Missionary Cradle Roll, thus training the children to give for missions as they grow up. The Cradle Rolls of today will be the Young People's and the Women's Societies to tomorrow. They should be taught to serve Him who said: "Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

Antioch, 5 members; Leakesville, 25 members; Linville, 25 members. Total, 40 members.

MRS. LENA ROTHGEB,
Superintendent.

Committees were appointed for Place, Resolutions, Finance, Goals, and Nominations.

Hymn—"We've a Story to Tell to the Nations."

An interesting and challenging address was given by Rev. Roy D. Coulter.

There were seven of nine representatives present who had been to the Suffolk Silver Anniversary meeting in February and several gave echoes from the meeting.

Mrs. R. A. Whitten told of a personal friend who is a missionary in Africa.

Rev. W. J. Andes was asked to lead the audience in singing hymn: "Loyalty to Christ." He then led in the closing prayer.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Hymn—"I Gave My Life for Thee."

The Worship Service was conducted by Rev. R. L. Williamson.

A short play was given by Linville society.

Hymn—"Jesus, I Come."

An offering was taken amounting to \$6.23.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Amount on hand, July 23, 1936	\$ 49.05
Conference Offering	4.00
Special Gifts	16.85

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES.

Bethel	\$ 18.05
Dry Run	5.00
Leakesville	37.98
Linville	77.10
New Hope	10.95
Newport	20.50
Winchester	71.02
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	\$ 240.60

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Antioch	\$ 34.16
Linville	8.95
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	\$ 43.11

CRADLE ROLL SOCIETIES.

Antioch	\$ 2.65
Linville	6.00
Leakesville	1.05
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	\$ 9.70

SILVER ANNIVERSARY OFFERINGS.

Antioch, Young People	\$ 13.07
Antioch, Cradle Roll40
Bethel	10.00
Leakesville	13.45
Winchester	10.50
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	\$ 47.42

RALLIES.

Northern	\$ 4.00	
Rockingham	3.46	
Shenandoah	1.27	
Page-Green	2.75	
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		\$ 422.21

DISBURSEMENTS.

Oct.	Mrs. Hardcastle, Treasurer	\$ 63.37	
Jan.	Mrs. Hardcastle, Treasurer	71.90	
Apr.	Mrs. Hardcastle, Treasurer	26.43	
July	Mrs. Hardcastle	193.91	
	Mrs. W. E. Wisseman	15.30	
	Burk and Price, bond	2.50	
	Silver Anniversary Offerings	47.42	
	On borrowed money	1.85	
		<hr/>	\$ 422.68

Due on borrowed money \$.47

VERDIE SHOWALTER, *Treas.*

Report adopted.

REPORT OF LITERATURE SUPERINTENDENTS.

The greatest book of all times is the Bible, and we should give it first consideration among all literature.

The highlight of our own missionary literature is the monthly magazine *The Missionary Herald*. There should be, at least, one copy in each society. To know the fundamentals of our church and to know more of the work of our missionaries we must read missionary literature.

May I recommend:

1. That we read the Bible more.
2. That each society subscribe for *The Missionary Herald*.
3. That each society be on the mailing list for free literature at 14 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.

MINNIE DOFFLEMYER,
Literature Superintendent.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE.

We, your Committee on Place, have had two invitations, one from Leakesville, and one from Palmyra. We have decided on Palmyra.

MRS. ROY D. COULTER,
MRS. R. A. WHITTEN,
MRS. A. W. ANDES,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, submit the following:

1. We renew our devotion to the great missionary enterprise of the church and pledge ourselves to a larger understanding and support of this great cause.
2. That we pledge ourselves to the fullest cooperation with our various denominational agencies in the missionary enterprises of the church.
3. We thank the ones who had part on the program for their helpful information.

4. That we extend a rising vote of thanks to the Newport Church for its cordial welcome and splendid hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA LOU SHOWALTER,
MRS. B. F. MCDANIEL,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We are asked by the Woman's Missionary Convention to raise \$1,000 for the biennium—making \$500.00 per year, therefore, we recommend the churches be asked to contribute the following amounts:

Antioch	\$ 65.00	Mt. Olivet (G)	5.00
Bethel	20.00	Mt. Olivet (R)	5.00
Bethlehem	10.00	New Hope	20.00
Concord	5.00	Newport	15.00
Dry Run	15.00	Timber Ridge	25.00
Leakesville	60.00	Whistler's Chapel	10.00
Linville (Women)	75.00	Winchester	75.00
Linville (Young People) ...	9.00	Wood's Chapel	10.00
Mayland	10.00		

CRADLE ROLLS.

Antioch	\$ 4.00	Linville	6.00
Leakesville	5.00	Winchester	2.50

MRS. B. F. FRANK,
ANNA LOU SHOWALTER,
MRS. A. W. ANDES,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF WOMEN'S SOCIETIES.

Bethel, 28 members; Dry Run, 12 members; Linville, 32 members; Leakesville, 29 members; Newport, 25 members; New Hope 12 members; Winchester, 14 members. Total members 152.

To create interest in missions, I recommend that at least one member correspond with a missionary and read the letter to the society.

ORA SCOTT EARMAN,
Superintendent.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GOALS.

We, your Committee on Goals, beg to report that we have looked over the goals as passed by the last annual conference and believe that the standard of excellence, as therein set forth, are best suited for our needs at this time. We recommend the adoption of the same goals for this year, as follows:

1. An average attendance of at least one-half of active members	15%
2. Ten per cent of members at Mid-year Rally	10%
3. Representation at Annual Missionary Conference	10%
4. Fifteen per cent reading one or more missionary books	10%
5. An increase in membership	10%
6. Quarterly reports by first of Oct., Jan., April and July	20%
7. Thanksgiving service held	10%
8. A Cradle Roll in every church	10%
9. Ten per cent reading <i>The Missionary Herald</i>	5%

100%

Respectfully submitted,

MINNIE DOEFLEMYER,
E. LENA ROTHGEB,
ROBERT A. WHITTEN,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee, make the following nominations for the ensuing year:

President—Mrs. K. H. Sale.

Vice-President—Mrs. A. W. Andes.

Secretary—Mrs. B. F. Frank.

Treasurer—Miss Verdie Showalter.

Women's Superintendent—Mrs. E. L. Depoy.

Young People's Superintendent—Miss Helen Showalter.

Cradle Roll Superintendent—Mrs. John Miller.

Literature Superintendent—Miss Minnie Dofflemyer.

Spiritual Life Superintendent—Miss Charlotte Hillyard.

MRS. SAMUEL EARMAN,

MRS. MARY DAVIS,

MISS AMY LOUDERBACK,

Committee.

Report adopted.

Miss Anna Lou Showalter gave a talk on the study books for the coming year.

A motion carried that the District Superintendents be asked to serve in their respective districts until next annual session of missionary conference, and hereafter that the District Superintendents be elected with the other conference officers.

Mrs. Roy Rinker, of Shenandoah District resigned as Superintendent, and Miss Louise Bowman, of Edinburg was elected to take her place.

A round table discussion brought out many interesting problems about interesting meetings, rallies, traveling library, etc.

A motion carried to have the traveling library and churches are to let secretary know if they will cooperate.

The new officers were duly installed by Rev. Mr. Whitte, assisted by Revs. Williamson and Andes.

Rev. Mr. Williamson led the closing song and prayer.

MRS. K. H. SALE, *President*,

MRS. B. F. FRANK, *Secretary*.

Minutes of the Twenty-Fifth Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference.

FRANKLIN CHURCH, FRANKLIN, VA.
OCTOBER 1, 1937.

MORNING SESSION.

The Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference met in annual session at 10:30 A. M., and was called to order by Mrs. J. Monroe Harris, President.

Hymn, "Oh, Worship the King," led by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Recognition of ministers, eleven being present.

Roll call of societies, all being represented except Eure, Hopewell and Spring Hill.

Reports of District Superintendents were as follows:

Norfolk—Mrs. J. F. Morgan, Superintendent: Women's Societies, 9; Young People's Societies, 7; Juniors, 6; Cradle Rolls, 7; making a total of 29 organizations, with an approximate membership of 550. Total contributed during year, \$1,322.36; Silver Jubilee, \$289.75. There is a marked improvement in the women's work, all but one of the organizations having raised their apportionment.

Nansemond-Franklin-Gates—Mrs. John King, Superintendent: Women's Societies 15, members 511; Young People's Societies 14, members 335; Juniors 12, members 244; Cradle Rolls 13, members 250; total Societies 54, total members 1,340. Amount raised: Women, \$2,020.00; Young People, \$531.59; Juniors, \$285.00; Cradle Roll, \$71.52; Total, \$2,908.11. Memorials: Holy Neck 1, Bethlehem 1, Berea 4, Suffolk 4. Total, 10. Life Membership: Liberty Spring 1. New organizations 7.

Waverly—Mrs. E. T. Atkinson, Superintendent: Women's Societies, 5; amount raised, \$240.00. Young People's Societies, 4; amount raised, \$110.23. Junior Societies, 2; amount raised, \$20.00. Two Young People's and Two Junior groups, having no organized societies, sent contributions. The Silver Jubilee offering amounted to \$53.85; the Rally offering to \$6.13.

Dr. J. G. Truitt announced that \$10.00 needed to make the Jubilee Offering \$2,000.00, had been given by the Suffolk Society.

Address, "The Mountain Tops of the Year," by Mrs. J. Monroe Harris, President.

Hymn, "O Zion, Haste," led by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Reports of Departmental Superintendents were as follows, Miss Gort's report being read by Mrs. Robert Lee House:

YOUNG PEOPLE'S REPORT.

Progress in the Young Peoples' work has not been what we had hoped for, but considering the fact that a majority of those composing the Young People's Conference are high school pupils, and that the interests of young people are

so varied, we are thankful to report an increase in the number of societies, the enrollment and in the amount raised.

For the year 1935-36, there were twenty-six societies, with an enrollment of 331; a total of \$931.64 was raised. For the year just ended, we are reporting one new society, an increase in membership of 85, making a total of 416 and \$1,007.40 raised. The per capita contribution has decreased from \$2.81 to \$2.42, but since each society has the privilege of determining its own method of financing, it would not be fair to assume that this represents a decrease in the interest of individual contributions.

Several of our young people's groups have combined their missionary and Christian Endeavor activities, using one Sunday evening in each month for the presentation of a missionary program. Better still, one or two societies have discovered an ideal plan—that of conducting a week of mission study. In this way the interest in the text book is more easily sustained than by studying together, just once each month.

Your Young People's Superintendents would commend the study books for the year, which begins this date, and suggest that "Information lends Inspiration." It is my earnest desire that our financial reports show an increase at the end of the year, but more important, may we have learned valuable lessons in World Friendship which will lead to deeper devotion to the cause of our Master.

Respectfully submitted,

CAROLINE GORT,
Young Peoples' Supt.

CRADLE ROLL REPORT.

Number Cradle Rolls—October 1, 1936, 19. Number members on roll, 379. Amount of offering, \$86.06. Number Cradle Rolls—September 30, 1937, 22. Number members on roll, 376. Amount of offering, \$106.57. New members, 63. Promoted to Junior, 64. Amount raised for Silver Jubilee Offerings, \$37.10. Decrease in membership, 3. Increase in offering, \$20.51. New Cradle Rolls, Berea (Nans.), Elm Ave., Eure. (3) Number not reporting, 3.

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. NELSON,
Cradle Roll Supt.

No report was submitted by Mrs. J. C. Ellis, Superintendent of Life Memberships and Memorials.

REPORT OF SPIRITUAL LIFE SUPERINTENDENT.

We beg to submit the following report:

The aim of the work in this department is to develop and enrich the spiritual life of the women of the Conference. We must grow in grace and in knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Our only way to gain this knowledge is by the study of the Holy Book, the Bible, and prayer.

We should be fountains that send forth water, and if we are filled with the water of life that Jesus gives, we will shed a light or radiance that sends its rays far beyond our expectations, so let us work together for the development of the spiritual life and the upbuilding of the Kingdom on earth.

At the beginning of the year the work as suggested was sent to the Superintendents of the societies, and I have received from some, reports which have been very encouraging. It was requested that Genesis be the book of the Bible for study. To observe the first week of January as our Week of Prayer, the 12th of February, World Wide Day of Prayer, and an early morning service on Good Friday morning.

The Superintendents of the local societies were asked to urge their members to have a Family Altar, reading the Bible and having prayer each day, also to Tithe.

If we accomplish these things we can do good work for the Master and His Kingdom.

MRS. A. B. JARVIS,
Superintendent.

LITERATURE REPORT.

I would like to prepare my report with a few words about the United Christian Adult Movement, for believe it or not, Adult Education in the church is coming into its own. The movement originated at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, during July, 1936. It was attended by representatives of 20 denominations from more than 30 states. Nine Commissions working in a different area, formulated plans and outlined possible activities.

In the spirit of that Conference and with a growing sense of purpose men and women of the Church are going forward in an effort to put the Christian spirit in areas and relationships of life. Regardless of the strength or weakness of that movement it does suggest a direction in which adults may go, and may be on the spring-board for a new emphasis in Adult Education in our Congregational-Christian Churches. The Adult Bulletin tells you what some churches are accomplishing in the way of new and different programs for church nights. See what it suggests for you.

Since we are in the habit of taking two study books each year, we are asking you to go a step further and take a third book, *World Peace and Christian Missions*. It is interesting and up-to-date. We are sending missionaries to live and teach that love is the way, at the same time we send battleships and say that force is power. What shall the world believe. We will have for our foreign study, The Moslem World, and for the home study, Rural America. We have our particular work in this Moslem World in Turkey. Please have one interesting program on our Congregational-Christian work. With these worth while studies and the prepared programs and suggestions, no society should have a slow or dull program. To these books and programs, we suggest as another aid, the use of our Church papers, magazines, maps, and posters. Know the geography of the countries we study.

MRS. J. E. CARTWRIGHT,
Superintendent.

The President appointed the following committees:

Committee on Nominations—Mrs. I. W. Johnson, Mrs. Oscar F. Smith, Mrs. E. L. Beale.

Committee on Resolutions—Mrs. W. H. Andrews, Mrs. June Davidson, Mrs. J. E. Harris.

Committee on Place of Meeting—Mrs. C. W. Rountree, Mrs. Garland Spratley.

Worship Service was conducted by Mrs. Aubrey Eggleston of Norfolk. Address by Dr. Norma Dunning, Medical Missionary on furlough from India.

Vocal Duet by Mesdames A. B. Jarvis and L. W. Vaughn, accompanied by Mr. Ernest Beale, Jr.

Offering of \$41.50.

Prayer by Rev. R. E. Brittle.

Adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference reassembled at 2 o'clock.

Hymn, "Lead on, King Eternal," led by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Mrs. J. M. Raby, Treasurer made the following report:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

Women's Societies	\$3,284.60
Young People's Societies	1,007.40
Junior Societies	418.38
Cradle Roll Societies	106.57
Offerings, District Meetings	42.01
Conference Offering, 1936	29.18
Youth Pilgrim Fellowship Offering	13.55
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	\$4,901.69
Balance brought forward from last year	271.76
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	\$5,173.45

DISBURSEMENTS.

Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasurer, S. C.....	\$4,544.70
Chart	3.00
Officers' Expense Items for year	15.75
Printing Year Book, Stationery and Programs ..	32.65
Expenses of Speakers	22.20
Flowers	5.00
Premium on Treasurer's Bond	5.00
Expenses of Delegates to Evanston, Ill.	25.00
Expenses of Delegates to S. School of Missions ..	92.01
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	4,745.31
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Balance, September 30, 1937	\$ 428.14

Respectfully Submitted,

MRS. J. M. RABY, *Treasurer.*

This is to certify that according to our records, the balance standing to the credit of the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Board of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, Mrs. J. M. Raby, Treasurer, at the close of business, September 30, 1937, is \$428.14.

S. T. HOLLAND, *Cashier,*
Farmers Bank, Windsor, Va.

HONOR ROLLS.

Honor Roll of Churches—Bethlehem, Christian Temple, Franklin, Holland, Holy Neck, Liberty Spring, Mt. Carmel, Oakland, Rosemont, Suffolk, South Norfolk, Windsor.

Honor Roll of Societies (Women)—Bethlehem, Damascus, Dendron, Berea, Nansemond, Oakland, Christian Temple, Liberty Spring, Newport News, Suffolk, Franklin, Rosemont, Wakefield.

Honor Roll (Young People)—Eure, Rosemont, Oakland, Bethlehem, Liberty Spring.

Honor Roll (Juniors)—Berea (Nans.), Bethlehem, Franklin, Oakland, Holland, Holy Neck, Liberty Spring, Rosemont.

The President introduced Mrs. Gibson, Dr. and Mrs. I. W. Johnson, and Mr. and Mrs. M. J. W. White, who had attended every session of the Conference during 25 years.

Address by Miss Jenny L. Jillison, returned missionary from Syria. Recommendations read, and after explanation by Mrs. John G. Truitt, were adopted.

Standard of Excellence read and adopted.

Address of Dr. J. O. Atkinson read by Mrs. R. T. Bradford.

Presidents of local societies were introduced.

It was moved and carried to accept the Constitution of the Southern Board.

The Committee on Nominations made the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee, beg leave to make the following report:

President—Mrs. J. Monroe Harris.

First Vice-President—Mrs. R. T. Bradford.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. B. D. Jones.

Secretary—Mrs. Herbert P. Harrell.

Treasurer—Mrs. J. M. Raby.

Superintendent of Young People's Work—Miss Caroline Gort.

Superintendent of Literature—Mrs. J. E. Cartwright.

Superintendent of Cradle Roll—Mrs. F. M. Nelson.

Superintendent of Spiritual Life—Mrs. A. B. Jarvis.

Superintendent of Life and Memorial Memberships—Mrs. J. A. Williams.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. I. W. JOHNSON,

MRS. OSCAR F. SMITH,

MRS. E. L. BEALE,

Committee.

It was moved and carried to have a Superintendent of Juniors, to be selected by the Executive Committee.

The Committee on resolutions reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Your Committee on Resolutions wish to present the following Report:

We, the members of the 25th Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference consider it a happy privilege to have met with the Franklin Christian Church today. This is a church noted for its hospitality, and we are appreciative of its every courtesy extended to this body. We are deeply grateful to our Heavenly Father for the many happy privileges and for the many great blessings accorded us during our Silver Jubilee Year, while we sought to honor God with our special offerings, and to honor the sacred memory of Dr. William Wesley Staley, a great leader, beloved by all.

We recommend:

1. That a detailed report showing the amounts contributed by the various societies of the Conference for the Silver Offering be entered upon the records of this Conference as information for future reference.

2. That we record our thanks to our gracious president and her efficient corps of officers for their splendid leadership during the past year, and to the ministers and laymen and friends who have honored us with their presence and health.

3. Inspiration, deep interest, and information, have been given by the speakers, Mrs. J. Monroe Harris, Mrs. Aubrey Eggleston, Dr. Dunning, Miss Jenny

L. Jillison and Dr. J. O. Atkinson, and by Mesdames A. B. Jarvis and L. W. Vaughn for their splendid message through music, and to each one who had a part on the program.

4. That the Secretary be requested to send greetings to our beloved Secretary of Missions, Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

To God we offer our thanks for the glory of this day, and for the spirit of fellowship and good will that has pervaded the meeting, for the love that unites our hearts, and for the courage with which we face the future.

Let us remember the joy of life is living and doing things of worth;
For making bright and fruitful all the barren spots of earth.
For only he knows perfect joy whose little bit of soil,
Is richer ground than it was when he began to toil.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. H. ANDREWS,
MRS. JUNE DAVIDSON,
MRS. J. E. HARRIS,
Committee.

The Committee on Place of Meeting reported:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE OF MEETING.

We, your Committee on Place of Meeting, wish to report that the following churches have extended invitations for the Eastern Virginia Missionary Conference in 1938: Waverly, Rosemont and Cypress Chapel.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. W. ROUNTREE,
MRS. GARLAND SPRATLEY,
Committee.

It was voted to accept the invitation of the Waverly Church.

Memoirs were conducted by Mrs. Ryland Darden.

Vesper Call was given by Rev. O. D. Poythress in song, "The Man of Galilee."

Prayer and benediction by Rev. Elwood W. Jones.

Conference adjourned to meet with Waverly Church in 1938.

MRS. J. MONROE HARRIS, *President.*
MRS. HERBERT HARRELL, *Secretary.*

Minutes of the Twenty-Fifth Annual Session of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Conference.

UNITED CHURCH, RALEIGH, N. C.
OCTOBER 6, 1937.

MORNING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order by Mrs. O. H. Paris, President. The introductory program was based upon the theme, "Advancing with Christ."

District reports were made by Miss Sadie Fonville of Burlington, Mrs. B. J. Earp of Halifax, Mrs. A. B. McFarland of Guilford, Mrs. Oscar Porter of Chatham-Lee-Moore, Mrs. R. E. Caviness of Randolph, Mrs. R. M. Rothgeb of Durham, and Miss Margaret Alston of Vance-Warren-Wake.

Departmental reports were made by Mrs. W. R. Sellars of Burlington and Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, of Durham.

The Treasurer's Report was submitted by Mrs. C. H. Stephenson, as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Women's Societies	\$3,417.02	
Young People's Societies	220.23	
Willing Workers	98.00	
Willing Workers (Juniors)	25.05	
Cradle Roll	90.43	
District Rally Offerings	30.34	
Miscellaneous	149.44	
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		\$4,030.51

DISBURSEMENTS.

Conference Cards—Expense Board Meetings...	\$ 5.36	
A. D. Pate, Year Books, Letter Heads	26.25	
Bank Charges .....	.66	
Mrs. J. G. Truitt, on expenses to Evanston ..	25.00	
Dr. H. S. Smith, expenses Elon Study Day	15.00	
Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasurer Woman's Mission Board, S. C., for Silver Anniversary	95.50	
Memorial, Liberty Vance	10.00	
Missions	3,852.74	
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		\$4,030.51

MRS. C. H. STEPHENSON, *Treasurer.*

An address was made by Mrs. J. G. Truitt, President of the Woman's Convention, of Suffolk, Va.

Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mission Secretary, was unable to be present, his address, "The Forward Look," being read by Mrs. Nash Parker.

An impressive service of remembrance was conducted by Mrs. C. H. Rowland of Greensboro.

The following committees were appointed:

Nominations—Mrs. J. J. Henderson, Mrs. W. P. Lawrence, and Mrs. C. C. Fonville.

Recommendations and Resolutions—Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, Mrs. Rowland Iseley, and Mrs. R. E. Caviness.

Finance—Mrs. C. H. Stephenson and Mrs. R. J. Kernodle.

The Conference then adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference reconvened at 2 o'clock, and was called to order by the President.

Reports on departmental work were made by Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, Greensboro; Mrs. M. W. Hook, Elon College; Mrs. Seth M. Vining, Tryon, and Miss Margaret Alston, Henderson.

Rev. W. E. Wisseman, Greensboro, introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Miss Jeannie L. Jillison, missionary from Syria.

The following resolutions and recommendations were submitted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. We wish to express our sincere appreciation: (a) To the people of the Raleigh Church for their cordial and gracious hospitality; (b) to the speakers of the day for their constructive and inspiring messages; and (c) to the officers of the Conference for their faithful and inspiring year's work.

2. We recommend that the Conference send its President or some other delegate to a summer mission conference.

3. We recommend that our General Purpose Fund be increased to \$200.00 to cover expenses of Conference officers, District meetings, Elon Mission Study, expenses of delegate to summer conference, and such expenses as are necessary to the efficient work of the organization; and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay same as they come due.

4. We recommend that the proposed Constitution drawn by the committee from the Southern Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches and submitted to the several Conferences for adoption be referred to the Executive Board for further study together with the Executive Boards of the other Conferences and that it be submitted to this Conference for adoption at the next annual meeting.

MRS. STANLEY C. HARRELL,
MRS. JAMES H. LIGHTBOURNE,
MRS. W. E. WISSEMAN,
Committee.

The following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, Burlington.

First Vice-President—Miss Margaret Alston, Henderson.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. Seth M. Vining, Tryon.

Secretary—Mrs. H. D. Lambeth, Elon College.

Mrs. C. H. Stephenson offered her resignation, and the office of Treasurer was not filled.

Minutes were read and approved.

Conference adjourned to meet at Parks' Cross Roads Church, Randolph Couney, N. C., in October, 1938.

MRS. O. H. PARIS, *President.*

MRS. H. D. LAMBETH, *Secretary.*

Ministerial Directory.

Allred, J. M.....	R. 1, Asheboro, N. C.
Andes, Wm. J.....	Harrisonburg, Va.
Apple, J. F.....	Elon College, N. C.
Atkinson, J. O.....	Elon College, N. C.
Bowden, D. J.....	Elon College, N. C.
Bradshaw, Elisha.....	Walters, Va.
Brady, E. Carl.....	Box 26, Hemp, N. C.
Brittle, R. E.....	Suffolk, Va.
Carden, J. S.....	906 Shepherd St., Durham, N. C.
Carter, Emory M.....	Youngsville, N. C.
Chapman, John R.....	15 Larchmont Road, Asheville, N. C.
Coulter, Roy D.....	Edinburg, Va.
Cox, H. V.....	Ramseur, N. C.
Crutchfield, G. C.....	R. 2, Burlington, N. C.
Crutchfield, H. E.....	Windsor, Va.
Denison, Warren H.....	Dayton, Ohio
Denton, James A.	R. 1, Apex, N. C.
Dollar, Jesse H.....	2308 Roanoke Ave., Newport News, Va.
Earp, B. J.....	Paces, Va.
Edwards, George N.....	9-A King St., Charleston, S. C.
Edwards, W. J.....	High Point, N. C.
Elmore, O. A.....	Elon College, N. C.
Flowers, A. R.....	Sims, N. C.
Fogleman, J. U.....	Snow Camp, N. C.
Foster, James L.....	Elon College, N. C.
Franks, Jessie E.....	R. 4, Raleigh, N. C.
French, Joe.....	R. 3, Hickory, Va.
Fuller, W. B.....	Harrisonburg, Va.
Garman, W. H.....	1303 27th St., Norfolk, Va.
Gerringer, C. E.....	732 Julian St., Greensboro, N. C.
Green, T. J.....	R. 1, Ramseur, N. C.
Grissom, Raymond T.....	Buies Creek, N. C.
Hardcastle, H. S.....	272 E. 39th St., Norfolk, Va.
Harrell, Stanley C.	Box 185, Durham, N. C.
Harward, W. D.....	Wakefield, Va.
Hayes, W. N.....	R. 1, Seagrove, N. C.
Hilliard, H. C.....	Sunbury, N. C.
House, Robert Lee.....	Arlington Apts., Portsmouth, Va.
Howard, B. J.....	Chapel Hill, N. C.
Hyde, F. Ervin.....	Sanford, N. C.
Jay, W. M.....	707 Gales Ave., Winston-Salem, N. C.
Johnson, I. W.....	Suffolk, Va.
Johnson, J. Lee.....	Fuquay Springs, N. C.
Johnson, J. S.....	Dendron, Va.
Jones, Elwood W.....	Franklin, Va.
Key, Carl R.....	Holland, Va.
Kirbye, J. Edward.....	287 4th Ave., New York, N. Y.
Lankford, G. O.....	Elon College, N. C.
Lassiter, L. L.....	Suffolk, Va.

Lée, J. H.	R. 3, Raleigh, N. C.
Lester, F. C.	514 S. Main St., Norfolk, Va.
Lightbourne, Jas. H.	Burlington, N. C.
Lowdermilk, B. H.	Ramseur, N. C.
Lowe, T. N.	Hopewell, Va.
Lucas, A. L.	Pisgah, N. C.
McCauley, J. E.	3206 Grove Ave., Richmond, Va.
Madren, Silas E.	R. 1, Henderson, N. C.
Martin, W. C.	Biscoe, N. C.
Moffitt, D. R.	Coleridge, N. C.
Moore, Wilson C.	Dover, Del.
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THE ANNUAL

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of the

Thirty-Third Regular Session of

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J. H. LIGHTBOURNE, *Secretary*

Proceedings of the Thirty-Third Regular Session of the Southern Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches.

HELD AT PORTSMOUTH, VA.
APRIL 26TH TO 29TH, 1938.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches, Incorporated, met in Thirty-Third Regular Session at the First Christian Church of Portsmouth, Va. The Convention was called to order at 2:00 P. M., by Dr. Stanley C. Harrell, President.

Hymn—"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," led by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Prayer—Dr. Harrell.

Worship Service—Dr. H. S. Hardcastle, Chaplain.

Piano Meditation—"Jesus Calls Us."

Scripture—Selections from Mark.

Subject—"Personal Aspects of the Religion of Jesus."

Hymn—"Saviour, Thy Dying Love."

After the worship service the Convention proceeded to the transaction of business.

The resignation of Dr. I. W. Johnson, Secretary of the Convention, was read by Dr. Harrell, as follows:

Suffolk, Va.,
April 25, 1938.

To the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches. Dr.

Stanley C. Harrell, President:

Mr. President, Members and Friends of the Southern Convention:

I regret more than you can possibly know that I cannot be with you in this session of 1938. This is a personal loss to me, for I had anticipated the continued joy of your fellowship.

In my severe illness, I have not forgotten this important session. I have read many suggestions offered through the columns of *The Christian Sun* during the past several months, pertaining to changes in organization and methods for the future. I have neither the strength nor the disposition to pass judgment upon the merits of these suggestions. I think the wisdom of this body will take care of these matters.

I wish to thank the Convention for the honor conferred upon me by permitting me to be Secretary for such a long period. I resign this position upon the advice of my physicians.

I wish for the Convention a spirit of unity, progress and power.

With every good wish for every one,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) I. W. JOHNSON,
By: MRS. I. W. JOHNSON,

A special prayer for Dr. Johnson was offered by Dr. L. E. Smith.

It was moved and carried that Dr. Johnson's resignation be accepted with regret and that a message be sent to him, expressing the Convention's appreciation of his long years of service, and wishing for him an early recovery.

It was moved and carried that greetings also be sent to Dr. C. H. Rowland and Dr. G. O. Lankford, who were unable to attend the Convention because of sickness.

Organization and Enrollment:

Mrs. J. S. Rollings was appointed Secretary pro tem.

Roll call and certification of delegates as follows:

ENROLLMENT OF DELEGATES.

Eastern Virginia Conference—Ministers: R. L. House, H. S. Hardcastle, Elwood W. Jones, Carl R. Key, T. N. Lowe, F. C. Lester, J. F. Morgan, W. H. Garman, N. G. Newman, John G. Truitt, T. Fred Wright, Joe A. French, O. D. Poythress, J. E. McCauley, J. M. Roberts, J. H. Warren, L. E. Smith, H. E. Crutchfield, M. S. Poulson, J. S. Johnson, B. H. Watkins, Jesse H. Dollar. Laymen: M. W. Hollowell, M. J. W. White, Miss Edna Fulcher, J. A. Williams, Mrs. Phillip Jones, A. L. Jolly, Dr. J. E. Rawls, Mrs. J. M. Raby, Col. J. E. West, E. B. Rawls, I. T. Byrd, Mrs. H. P. Harrell, Dr. J. W. Manning, J. T. Kernodle, R. C. Norfleet, Mrs. E. L. Gray.

Western North Carolina Conference—Ministers: M. A. Pollard. Laymen: None.

Eastern North Carolina Conference—Ministers: E. M. Carter, J. L. Foster, F. E. Hyde, S. E. Madren, J. E. Neese, George N. Edwards. Laymen: L. L. Vaughan, C. D. Harton, A. H. McIver, Mrs. A. H. McIver, Mrs. E. W. Boshart, Mrs. S. R. Gale, Miss Margaret Alston, Mrs. E. M. Carter, Mrs. George N. Edwards, Mrs. J. D. Newman.

North Carolina and Virginia Conference—Ministers: J. O. Atkinson, D. J. Bowden, G. C. Crutchfield, B. J. Earp, S. C. Harrell, J. H. Lightbourne, J. L. Neese, C. E. Newman, W. M. Stevens, W. E. Wisseman, W. M. Jay, W. T. Scott, G. H. Veazey, Arnold Slater. Laymen: C. D. Johnston, H. C. Simpson, Miss Vera Gerringer, Egbert Truitt, Mrs. W. M. Jay, V. R. Holt, Mrs. L. E. Smith, Mrs. B. J. Earp, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Mrs. J. K. Landrum.

Virginia Valley Central Conference—Ministers: R. L. Williamson, R. D. Coulter, W. J. Andes. Laymen: R. O. Rothgeb, Mrs. K. H. Sale, Wilbert Morris, Miss Verdine Showalter, Mrs. E. Lena Rothgeb, Miss Minnie Dofflemeyer.

Total enrollment: Ministers—46; Laymen—42.

The following visitors were presented to the Convention: Dr. Leonard M. Outerbridge, Secretary of Missions Council of Congregational and Christian Churches, New York City; four ministerial

students from Elon College, Messrs. Emmanuel Hedgebeth, Victor Merkerson, Duane Vore, LeGrand Moody; Dr. Edwin C. Gillette, of Florida.

The program was submitted and adopted, subject to change by the Convention, and as necessary.

The report of Executive Committee was read by the Secretary, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

At the last session of the Convention the Report of the Board of Publications was referred to the Board of Publications and to the Executive Board for adoption. The two Boards met jointly and adopted the report which appears as "Addenda" in the minutes of the last session.

The First Christian Church of Burlington, N. C., applied to the Western North Carolina Conference at the 1936 session for a letter of transfer to the North Carolina and Virginia Conference. The Western North Carolina Conference referred the request to the Southern Convention. The Executive Board of the Convention approved the transfer, and the Burlington Church duly enrolled as a member of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

In August of 1937, Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treasurer of the Convention, submitted his resignation, stating that because of illness his physicians had prescribed a long period of rest and that he was, therefore, unable to fulfill the duties of his office. The Executive Board accepted the resignation of Dr. Wicker, and elected Prof. L. L. Vaughan, Raleigh, N. C., as his successor. The dates given in the reports submitted by Dr. Wicker and Prof Vaughan will show when the one relinquished and the other assumed the duties of Treasurer.

The receipts from the Conferences having fallen far short of the \$5,000.00 apportioned to the Conferences for the Convention Fund, and a grave emergency arising with reference to *The Christian Sun*, the Board voted to pay \$500.00 to the General Council, in lieu of the two-fifths of the Convention Fund as was voted at the last session of the Convention.

During the biennium the Board has given consideration frequently to the matter of financing *The Christian Sun*. Loans have been negotiated to tide over deficits. All these loans have been repaid. The Board of Publications, upon recommendation of the Executive Board, conducted a campaign for subscriptions early in this calendar year, which substantially increased the list of subscribers.

The First Christian Church, Portsmouth, Va., extended an invitation to hold this present session with this church. The Executive Board accepted the invitation and voted to hold this session with the Portsmouth Christian Church.

STANLEY C. HARRELL,
E. E. HOLLAND,
J. E. RAWLS,
J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
C. REXFORD RAYMOND,
Committee.

The President announced the appointment of the following special committees:

Nominations—Dr. J. E. Rawls, Rev. F. E. Hyde, Rev. G. M. Talley, Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, Rev. W. J. Andes, Mrs. John G. Truitt, Mr. C. D. Johnston, Rev. Jesse H. Dollar, Rev. Elwood W. Jones, and Dr. J. M. Manning.

Promotional Plans—Dr. L. E. Smith, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Col. J. E. West, Mr. Vitus R. Holt, Rev. Joe French, Mrs. J. G. Truitt, Rev. R. L. House, Dr. Stanley C. Harrell.

Press—Rev. F. C. Lester, Rev. Carl R. Key, Mr. John T. Kernodle.

Resolutions—Rev. W. E. Wisseman, Rev. H. E. Crutchfield, Rev. M. T. Sorrell, Rev. J. Everette Neese, Mr. A. L. Jolly.

Credentials—Rev. W. J. Andes, Rev. C. E. Newman, Mr. W. T. Dunn, Mr. M. J. W. White, Rev. O. D. Poythress.

Auditing—Mr. C. D. Johnston, Mr. R. C. Norfleet, Mr. H. V. Simpson, Mr. J. A. Kimball, Rev. J. E. McCauley.

The report of Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treasurer, was read and referred to the Auditing Committee.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

APRIL 28, 1936 TO SEPTEMBER 1, 1937.

1936		CONVENTION FUND.	
Apr. 28	Overdraft	\$	\$ 466.39
July 25	Rev. Arnold Slater	6.00	
Nov. 2	Samuel Earman, Treas.	35.83	
21	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	70.11	
21	J. I. Somers, Treas., Burlington Church	120.00	
28	I. W. Johnson, Sec'y	1,410.00	
May 29	Mrs. S. J. Rollings		25.00
29	I. W. Johnson, Sec'y		50.00
June 16	Publications Fund	100.00	
Nov. 21	Stanley C. Harrell, Sec'y	750.00	
21	Publications Fund		750.00
21	Publications Fund		1,000.00
Dec. 10	Stanley C. Harrell, Sec'y	330.62	
10	Publications Fund		750.00
14	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	174.50	
21	Publications Fund	250.00	
1937			
Feb. 24	Central Publishing Co.		174.20
Sept. 1	Balance		31.47
		\$3,247.06	\$3,247.06
1936		SUPERANNUATION FUND.	
Apr. 28	Balance	\$ 773.74	
Nov. 21	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	34.52	
21	J. I. Somers, Treas., Burlington Church	60.00	
28	I. W. Johnson, Sec'y	393.00	
June 16	J. O. Atkinson, Chairman		\$ 275.00
18	J. O. Atkinson, Chairman		50.00
Dec. 10	Stanley C. Harrell, Sec'y	443.43	
14	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	87.25	
14	Samuel Earman, Treas.	17.95	
14	J. O. Atkinson, Chairman		1,484.89
		\$1,809.89	\$1,809.89
1936		ELON COLLEGE FUND.	
Nov. 21	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	\$ 177.50	
21	J. I. Somers, Treas., Burlington Church	60.00	
28	I. W. Johnson, Sec'y	1,822.00	
Dec. 14	Stanley C. Harrell, Sec'y	1,106.23	
14	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	436.25	
14	Samuel Earman, Treas.	89.59	
14	Elon College		\$3,691.57
		\$3,691.57	\$3,691.57

1936

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FUND.

Apr.	28	C. V. Sellars, Treas.	\$ 15.00	
Nov.	21	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	21.40	
	21	J. I. Somers, Treas., Burlington Church	30.00	
	28	I. W. Johnson, Sec'y	244.00	
Dec.	10	Stanley C. Harrell, Sec'y	276.05	
	14	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	43.00	
	14	Samuel Earman, Treas.	8.95	
	15	Chas. H. Stephenson, Treas.		\$ 638.40

1937

May	12	C. V. Sellars, Treas.	15.00	
Sept.	1	Balance	<u>15.00</u>	
			\$ 653.40	\$ 653.40

1936

CONVENTION HOME MISSIONS FUND.

Apr.	28	Balance	\$ 12.50	
Nov.	21	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	70.11	
	21	J. I. Somers, Treas., Burlington Church	120.00	
	28	I. W. Johnson, Sec'y	480.00	
May	6	J. O. Atkinson, Sec'y		\$ 12.50
Dec.	10	Stanley C. Harrell, Sec'y	420.02	
	14	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	174.50	
	14	Samuel Earman, Treas.	35.83	
	15	J. O. Atkinson, Sec'y	<u>1,300.46</u>	
			\$1,312.96	\$1,312.96

1936

FOREIGN MISSIONS FUND.

Apr.	28	Balance	\$ 12.50	
Nov.	21	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	70.11	
	21	J. I. Somers, Treas., Burlington Church	60.00	
	28	I. W. Johnson, Sec'y	447.00	
May	6	J. O. Atkinson, Sec'y		\$ 12.50
Dec.	10	Stanley C. Harrell, Sec'y	327.22	
	14	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	174.50	
	14	Samuel Earman, Treas.	35.83	
	15	J. O. Atkinson, Sec'y	<u>1,114.66</u>	
			\$1,127.16	\$1,127.16

1936

PUBLICATIONS FUND.

May	29	Bank of Whaleyville	\$ 985.00	
June	4	J. I. Somers, Treas., Mission Board	250.00	
	19	J. I. Somers, Treas., Mission Board	100.00	
July	10	Chas. D. Johnston, Supt.	250.00	
	29	F. C. Lester	112.25	
Aug.	21	Chas. D. Johnston, Supt.	250.00	
	24	Bank of Whaleyville	738.75	
Sept.	16	F. C. Lester	94.50	
Oct.	3	F. C. Lester	286.93	
Nov.	21	Stanley C. Harrell, Sec'y	750.00	
	28	F. C. Lester	197.53	
June	16	Convention Fund		\$ 100.00
	6	Central Publishing Co.	750.00	
July	1	F. C. Lester	120.00	
	7	Central Publishing Co.	250.00	
Aug.	8	Central Publishing Co.	500.00	
	22	Bank of Whaleyville	15.00	
Sept.	7	Central Publishing Co.	500.00	
	7	F. C. Lester	150.00	
	14	F. C. Lester	120.00	

Oct.	14	F. C. Lester	120.00	
	14	Central Publishing Co.	400.00	
Nov.	21	Bank of Whaleyville	750.00	
Dec.	10	Convention Fund	750.00	
	22	Convention Fund	1,000.00	
	23	Bank of Whaleyville		1,000.00
	4	F. C. Lester		120.00
	11	Central Publishing Co.		750.00
	14	Convention Fund		250.00
	15	Elon College	500.00	
	17	J. I. Somers, Treas., Mission Board	150.00	
1937				
Jan.	4	F. C. Lester	319.30	
	15	F. C. Lester		120.00
	25	Chas. H. Stephenson, Treas.	125.00	
Feb.	4	F. C. Lester	195.40	
	4	J. I. Somers, Treas., Mission Board	150.00	
	4	F. C. Lester		150.00
	15	F. C. Lester	157.00	
Mar.	2	Elon College	150.00	
	3	Chas. D. Johnston, Supt.	500.00	
Feb.	24	Central Publishing Co.		500.00
	24	Central Publishing Co.		250.00
Mar.	4	Central Publishing Co.		650.00
	4	F. C. Lester		120.00
	10	F. C. Lester	201.50	
Apr.	6	Central Publishing Co.		350.00
	8	J. I. Somers, Treas., Mission Board	100.00	
	17	Stanley C. Harrell, Pres.	1,000.00	
	5	F. C. Lester		120.00
	17	Central Publishing Co.		420.00
May	1	J. I. Somers, Treas., Mission Board	150.00	
	5	F. C. Lester	193.75	
	10	F. C. Lester		120.00
	10	Central Publishing Co.		525.00
	18	F. C. Lester	160.25	
June	10	F. C. Lester	168.63	
	14	Central Publishing Co.		428.00
	14	F. C. Lester		120.00
July	12	Elon College	100.00	
	12	Central Publishing Co.		250.00
	14	F. C. Lester	100.00	
	19	F. C. Lester		120.00
Aug.	2	J. I. Somers, Treas., Mission Board	100.00	
	9	Stanley C. Harrell (loan) Bank	1,000.00	
	9	Central Publishing Co.		698.60
	9	F. C. Lester		150.00
Sept.	1	Balance		299.19
			\$11,285.79	\$11,285.79
1937 RECAPITULATION OF BALANCE.				
Sept.	1	Christian Education	\$ 15.00	
	1	Convention Fund	31.47	
	1	Publications Fund	299.19	
Total balance			\$ 345.66	

Permit me in closing my final report, after serving as Treasurer of the Southern Convention for twenty-five years and four months, to express my

keen appreciation of the honor conferred upon me and the confidence reposed in me by the constituency of the church, and to record my profound regret that I was forced to resign the trust on account of ill health.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTON CRUMP WICKER, *Treasurer.*

Audited by
C. D. Johnston.

The report of Professor L. L. Vaughan, Treasurer, was read and referred to the Auditing Committee.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE SOUTHERN CONVENTION OF CONGREGATIONAL AND CHRISTIAN CHURCHES.

OCTOBER 27, 1937 TO MARCH 31, 1938.

1937		CONVENTION FUND.	
Oct. 27	W. C. Wicker, Treas.	\$ 31.47	
Nov. 29	I. W. Johnson, Sec'y	1,484.00	
Dec. 1	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	265.20	
7	Stanley C. Harrell, Sec'y	1,223.74	
18	Samuel Earman, Treas.	125.00	
1938			
Jan. 10	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	121.00	
1938			
Dec. 30	L. L. Vaughan, Treas. (Transferred to Publications Fund)		\$ 300.00
30	Dr. W. Waldo Boone		2,060.00
30	Chas. E. Burton, Sec'y		500.00
1938			
Feb. 3	Dr. W. Waldo Boone		15.00
Mar. 17	Stanley C. Harrell		4.00
31	Balance (Farmers Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Virginia)		374.41
		\$3,250.41	\$3,250.41
1937		CONVENTION HOME MISSIONS.	
Nov. 29	I. W. Johnson, Sec'y	\$ 488.00	
Dec. 1	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	44.20	
7	Stanley C. Harrell, Sec'y	633.96	
20	J. O. Atkinson		\$1,121.96
1938			
Feb. 3	J. O. Atkinson		44.20
		\$1,166.16	\$1,166.16
1937		CONVENTION FOREIGN MISSIONS.	
Nov. 29	I. W. Johnson, Sec'y	\$ 422.00	
Dec. 1	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	44.20	
7	Stanley C. Harrell, Sec'y	313.34	
20	J. O. Atkinson		\$ 735.34
1938			
Feb. 3	J. O. Atkinson		44.20
		\$ 779.54	\$ 779.54

1937

ELON COLLEGE FUND.

Nov. 29	I. W. Johnson, Sec'y	\$1,434.00	
Dec. 1	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	353.60	
7	Stanley C. Harrell, Sec'y	1,429.36	
14	Elon College		\$2,863.36
1938			
Feb. 3	Elon College	353.60	
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		\$3,216.96	\$3,216.96

1937

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

Nov. 29	I. W. Johnson, Sec'y	\$ 311.00	
Dec. 1	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	88.40	
7	Stanley C. Harrell, Sec'y	351.80	
18	Samuel Earman, Treas.	65.00	
20	J. O. Atkinson		\$ 662.80
21	J. O. Atkinson		153.40
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		\$ 816.20	\$ 816.20

1937

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

Oct. 27	W. C. Wicker, Treas.	\$ 10.00	
Nov. 29	I. W. Johnson, Sec'y	236.00	
Dec. 1	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	88.40	
7	Stanley C. Harrell, Sec'y	300.82	
18	Samuel Earman, Treas.	34.45	
1938			
Jan. 10	L. L. Vaughan, Treas. (From Publications Fund.)	5.00	
10	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	25.00	
1937			
Dec. 21	C. H. Stephenson, Treas.		\$ 536.82
1938			
Feb. 3	C. H. Stephenson, Treas.		162.85
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		\$ 699.67	\$ 699.67

1937

CHRISTIAN ORPHANAGE.

Nov. 29	I. W. Johnson, Sec'y	\$ 333.00	
Dec. 7	Stanley C. Harrell, Sec'y	310.63	
21	Christian Orphanage		\$ 643.63
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		\$ 643.63	\$ 643.63

1937

PUBLICATIONS FUND.

Oct. 27	W. C. Wicker, Treas.	\$ 334.19	
	F. C. Lester	339.45	
	C. H. Stephenson, Treas.	125.00	
Nov. 5	Elon College	250.00	
29	F. C. Lester	84.00	
	F. C. Lester	107.75	
	F. C. Lester	88.00	
Dec. 10	F. C. Lester	8.30	
	F. C. Lester	238.50	
18	Elon College	250.00	
27	Board of Religious Education	125.00	
	Christian Orphanage	250.00	
30	L. L. Vaughan, Treas.	300.00	
1938			
Jan. 5	Mission Board	250.00	

Feb.	7	Elon College	250.00	
	10	F. C. Lester	185.17	
		F. C. Lester	100.00	
	12	F. C. Lester	222.75	
	28	F. C. Lester	700.00	
1937				
Oct.	27	Central Publishing Co.		\$ 250.00
Nov.	10	Central Publishing Co.		250.00
		F. C. Lester		120.00
	29	Central Publishing Co.		325.00
		F. C. Lester		120.00
Dec.	9	F. C. Lester		120.00
	13	Central Publishing Co.		250.00
		W. C. Wicker (Refund)		30.00
	18	F. C. Lester		200.00
	30	Central Publishing Co.		750.00
1938				
Jan.	10	L. L. Vaughan, Treas. Transfer to Christian Education		5.00
Feb.	3	Central Publishing Co.		250.00
		Intangible Tax—N. C. ....		.13
Feb.	12	Central Publishing Co.		250.00
	14	F. C. Lester		220.00
		Central Publishing Co.		250.00
Mar.	17	Central Publishing Co.		534.80
		F. C. Lester		120.00
Mar.	17	Balance (First-Citizens Bank and Trust Co., Raleigh, N. C.)		163.18
			\$4,208.11	\$4,208.11

Respectfully submitted,

L. L. VAUGHAN, *Treasurer.*

Report of Mr. W. E. McClenny, Historian, read by him and admitted to record as follows:

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN.

We are now on historic ground, and in a city rich in history. The general intelligence of the people of this city is as good as any community on the Atlantic Seaboard. In this vicinity, according to the latest information available, it is believed that the "Vinland" discovered by Leif Ericson in the 10th century was nowhere else but on the banks of the present Elizabeth River. This is somewhat confirmed by a discovery made on this bank of the river in 1833. when a party sinking a well and at about thirty feet below the surface of the earth a well-preserved coin about the size of an English shilling, oval shaped, with plain figures, of a warrior and hunter and other characters, apparently of Roman origin was found. Some day this may be further confirmed by the Norwegian historians. At any rate a grape vine was discovered and this may have been a forerunner of the present Scuppernong grape now so well known.

From that date nothing more is known until April 26, 1607, when the Jamestown settlers landed at Cape Henry, set up the cross, held a religious service, and took possession of the country in the name of his Majesty, King James. This event is being celebrated on this day, and perhaps at this hour on that spot.

The next time we see this section is in 1676 when the owner, Capt. William Carver, lost his life on account of his activities in Nathaniel Bacon's rebellion, and his estate was confiscated. The town was chartered in February, 1752, as Portsmouth, no doubt from Portsmouth, England. Trinity P. E. Church was

the parish church in colonial days, beginning in 1761. In its yard lie buried many notable men of the early days of the city.

The Methodists came in the person of Whitefield in 1764, who preached near the ferry wharf (North Street) to an immense crowd. Rev. Robert Williams preached his first sermon from the porch of Isaac Luke in 1772, 304 Court Street. A class was formed at Mr. Luke's home and by 1792 a congregation had been gathered and they needed a church. This was the year that Rev. James O'Kelly left the Methodists in Baltimore, Md., and the old site on Glasgow Street was purchased and a house 40 feet by 30 feet wide was erected thereon, and part of the lot was used as a burying ground. Rev. Jesse Nicholson, a veteran of the Revolution, a teacher, a surveyor, was active in this church, and many of his comrades found their last resting place there. It was to him that Rev. James O'Kelly addressed one of his letters, and some say that there was a debate held in that church between the regular Methodists and the followers of O'Kelly, and that the church at Portsmouth was saved to the Methodists. The Jesse Nicholson monument can be seen on the lawn of Monumental M. E. Church as it has been moved there.

On November 1, 1832, the Methodists of Virginia sent Melville Cox, perhaps, their first missionary, to Africa, and he sailed from this port on the *Jupiter*, and in 1932 the Methodists placed a marker on the spot from which he sailed, that being the A. C. L. wharf on the Norfolk side of the river.

The great U. S. Navy Yard has been the site of a marine yard since colonial days. In it can be found relics from practically every part of the world, which might be very interesting to some. It was in that yard that the *Merrimac* was reconditioned as the *Virginia* and was one of the first iron clad vessels ever built. A short distance down the river can be seen the place where the great naval battle took place on March 8, 1862, and the next day the battle of the *Virginia* and *Monitor* which changed the naval architecture of the world from that day until now. It was in that yard that the *Texas* and the *Raleigh* were built. The yard was burned by the Federals on April 21, 1861, it having been burned once before by Sir George Collier in May, 1779, and was again burned when it was evacuated by the Confederates in May, 1862. Five flags have floated over the yard. The British, Flag of the Colony of Virginia, which was replaced after the Revolution by the flag of the State of Virginia, and after 1800, the U. S. flag floated until April, 1861, when the flag of the Confederacy was hoisted for about one year, then the U. S. flag was again raised.

This is the terminus of one of the earliest railroads in the country, the Portsmouth and Weldon, now a part of the great Seaboard Air Line System. It was completed to Suffolk, and on October 11, 1834, the *John Barnett* (the engine's name) had arrived from England and made the first trip over the road. Before that time a schedule had been maintained by horse drawn cars, as the road began passenger service on the 29th day of July, two trips per day, with teams until the engine arrived.

It might be of interest to know that the first locomotive ever run over a railroad line in America was run by a Portsmouth, Va., man, Edward E. G. Young, who made the trip from Frenchtown to Newcastle, Del., November 26, 1832.

On the other side of the city is the U. S. Naval Hospital, built on the site of Fort Nelson, of the Revolution and War of 1812, and begun in March, 1827, and was ready for patients in 1830. It was held for one year by the Confederates. It has a cemetery on the grounds and as said by one "Perhaps no cemetery in this vicinity can claim so romantic a background," for here are inscriptions in English, French, Portuguese, German, Russian, Chinese and Japanese. Side by side men lie sleeping who fought on both sides in the conflict in the war between the North and South, and men who fought on both sides of the Spanish-American War, as well as the men who belonged to armed forces on both sides during the Great World War. The hospital has served in

both war and peace, especially during the yellow fever epidemic in 1855. It has to be visited to be appreciated.

Not far from here on Bennett's Creek is said to have been the place where the Puritans settled when they came to Virginia in the days of Gov. William Berkeley, of Virginia, and when they had to leave for other parts they returned to Massachusetts and soon began what is now the Congregational Church of America.

But to the Christian Church in this city, Portsmouth appears to have been the first mission point of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, a church being mentioned in the minutes here in 1820. A union meeting was appointed to be held there in 1821, and at the next conference a church is mentioned as being at Gosport, and we believe that this is the same organization. This seemed to have held on as a mission point until 1829 when it was admitted into the Conference with Rev. Joshua Livesay as pastor, but after a few years, or in 1835, the church at Portsmouth disappears for 35 years when another mission was started in Portsmouth by Rev. R. H. Costen but this was of short duration, and again she disappears from the record until 1901 when a mission appears there and in 1902 application was made for admission of the church into the conference with Rev. John W. Harrell as pastor. A lot was bought and a chapel built in 1902, and the present church was built in 1909, and it then had 137 members. It has been served by Revs. J. W. Harrell, H. E. Rountree, and others as pastors.

In 1923 the Elm Avenue Christian Church had been organized and was admitted to the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference that year.

As it has so often been said in these reports, we believe that it is high time that our candidates for the ministry be required to take a course in the History of the Christian Church. We do not realize that we get our inspiration from the past, we should do our duty to the present and place our hope in the future. This phase of our church life has been sadly neglected in the past and many of the leaders do not seem to realize its worth. In all the *programs* for the training schools, and young peoples' conferences for many years, your speaker has looked in vain for an address on this line, or something that would tie our young people up to their church; but not one word has been seen. Our young ministers come out of college, and from their conversation, one would judge that they know very little about the church of their fathers. Even we have curtailed our book on the Government and Principles of the Christian Church until it looks like a pamphlet, and that is even out of print, and when we go to a conference or a convention and the Lord's Supper is celebrated very often some other form is used by the minister in charge. As a member of the Christian Church this does not appeal to me. The place to get this started is at Elon College, getting some member of the faculty to write a book on the history of the Christian Church and then see to it that every member of the ministerial class has to take that course. As we understand it, there has been collected at Elon College, and deposited in the Archives department quite a large amount of data on the history of the Christian Church, and as one on the ground would have access to it, and then being not very far from the N. C. State Library at Raleigh, which has a fine collection, that would be the logical place for the work to be done.

Our neighbors, the other denominations have done this, and in the case of the Baptists it has been well done by skillful hands, Rev. George J. Hobday, who once lived in this city, for this part of Virginia, and Dr. George W. Paschal, of Wake Forest College, for North Carolina.

We believe that this should not be neglected longer. We believe that some changes should be made in our Sunday school literature as much of it is not suited to this section, and instead of drawing our young people to the church it has a tendency to make them lukewarm in their views of the Church. The higher quarterlies that we are using appear to be trying to sow the seeds of doubt in the minds of the teachers, and if it gets there it will eventually get to the

pupils. We believe that the social, economic and political questions should not be brought so much into the church, but should be settled on the outside, thus obeying the injunction of the Master, when he said: "Render unto Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's and unto God the things that are God's."

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. E. McCLENNY.

Report of the Committee on Memoirs was read by Dr. W. M. Jay, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Your committee begs to report that there have been two deaths in our ministerial ranks during the Convention biennium: The Rev. A. W. Andes of the Virginia Valley Central Conference and Dr. P. H. Flemming of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference. These brethren were both faithful ministers of the gospel and served well in official capacities in their respective conferences and in this Convention. It is with due respect and deep regret that we note here their passing from our midst and record a grateful appreciation of their lives.

Because of the long and important service rendered in the Eastern Virginia Conference and the Southern Convention, we wish also to mention the decease of two prominent laymen: Dr. Peter Jefferson Kernodle, Richmond, Va., and J. M. Darden, Suffolk, Va.

We ask that the Convention stand a few moments in reverence of their memory and that Dr. N. G. Newman voice the sentiments of the Convention in prayer to Almighty God.

W. M. JAY,
T. FRED WRIGHT,
C. H. ROWLAND,
MRS. J. A. KIMBALL,
MRS. W. R. SELLARS,
C. E. NEWMAN,
R. L. WILLIAMSON,
Committee.

Prayer led by Dr. John G. Truitt.

Hymn—"Saviour Like a Shepherd Lead Us."

Address of President—"Christ's Power for Present Day Problems."

A rising vote of thanks was given Dr. Harrell for his able and timely message.

On behalf of Elon College, Dr. L. E. Smith presented to the Convention for distribution among the delegates "Program and Reports of the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches" in mimeographed form.

A rising vote of thanks was given Dr. Smith and those who worked with him in preparing these books.

Benediction by Dr. Edwin C. Gillette.

Convention adjourned until the evening session.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Convention assembled at 7:45 o'clock.

Special Music: Organ and Piano Duet—"Medley of Hymns."

Young People's Choir—"Vesper Hymn."

Devotional—"Let This Mind Be In You Which Was Also In Christ Jesus"—Rev. Jesse H. Dollar.

Address—"The Spirit Giveth Life"—Dr. L. E. Smith.

Prayer by Dr. Smith.

SECOND DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

Convention called to order at 9:30 o'clock.

Hymn—"He Leadeth Me." Prayer—Rev. J. Everette Neese.

Hymn—"A Charge to Keep, I Have."

Roll call. Minutes of first day's sessions read and approved.

Report of Board of Superannuation read by Secretary. Discussion. Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF SUPERANNUATION.

During the biennium now closing your Board received for Superannuation \$4,707.63.

During the year 1936 grants were made to the following: Mrs. P. T. Klapp, Mrs. C. C. Peele, Mrs. L. I. Cox, Mrs. J. W. Knight, Mrs. Ebbie Moffitt, Dr. W. D. Harward, Mrs. Emma Fogleman, Rev. J. S. Carden, Mrs. G. R. Underwood, Dr. G. O. Lankford, Dr. C. H. Rowland, Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Andes, Mrs. Susie Eastes, Dr. P. H. Fleming, and Rev. W. N. Hayes. The total of these grants was \$2,390.00.

During the year 1937, grants were made to the following: Mrs. L. I. Cox, Mrs. J. P. Barrett, Mrs. J. W. Knight, Mrs. Ebbie Moffitt, Dr. W. D. Harward, Mrs. Emma Fogleman, Rev. W. N. Hayes, Mrs. G. R. Underwood, Dr. G. O. Lankford, Rev. J. S. Carden, Mrs. Susie Eastes, Mrs. A. W. Andes, Dr. C. H. Rowland, and Dr. N. G. Newman. The total of these grants was \$2,315.00.

Balance on hand January 1, 1938, \$2.63.

We have received since January 1st, and forwarded to Dr. Lewis T. Reed, Secretary, \$1,081.10; making a total of \$1,083.73.

Grants are made as of January 1st and July 1st. If no one else is added to the list by July 1st, it will require \$1,220.00 to make the July grants equal to those of January 1st, this year. From these figures it is seen that \$136.27 between now and July 1st will be required for this purpose. This amount should and would come in provided churches take the offering for this fund on every Communion Sunday as has been recommended. Again, we urge that this be done.

Our grants are deplorably small. We, as a Convention should be more liberal to these worthy and deserving dependents and thus express our deep gratitude for their faithful service.

During the biennium the following names have been translated from our list to the list of the immortals, namely, Rev. P. H. Fleming, D. D., Mrs. P. T. Klapp, and Mrs. Susie Eastes.

We recommend first: That all Conferences be urged to put in their apportionment table the amounts recommended for superannuation by the finance committee of the Convention and that pastors be requested to see to it that the full amount raised. Secondly: That on Communion Sunday in the churches an offering to be taken for this worthy cause; also a Christmas offering to be asked of all churches in the Conferences of the Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. ATKINSON, *Chairman.*

On motion, the matter of the possibility of plans whereby our churches may share in the Debt of Honor Campaign, was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration.

"Our Contribution to the Christian World."

Past—Rev. F. C. Lester.

Present—Dr. J. H. Lightbourne.

Future—Rev. Robert Lee House.

General discussion.

Dr. William F. Frazier, Executive Vice-President of Home Boards, was presented to the Convention and members stood in recognition of his presence.

Report of Committee on Evangelism was read by Dr. J. G. Truitt, Chairman. Report and recommendations were adopted as follows:

REPORT ON EVANGELISM.

The Southern Convention should place Jesus Christ as Lord in the heart of its thinking and planning. In evangelism we must be moved by love for Him, and willingness to obey Him. We must not forget Him, not try to push our plans to the neglect of His spirit.

Love and obedience to Jesus Christ must take a new hold on us. We must remember that He is our Lord, our Commander, our Teacher, and our Redeemer. We must not forget that He has a first claim upon us as Christians, and that we are to be obedient to Him. He gave Himself on the cross for us and for the world. In His resurrection He empowered His followers to preach His gospel unto the ends of the earth. Seeing His great love for us, and seeing the great blessings a true understanding and appreciation will bring, it must be the joy of our hearts for His sake and for the sake of others, to witness for Him. If members, ministers, and churches catch this spirit, there will be a new awakening in our Southern Convention.

Ministers must lead the way. If for any reason it can be seen that a minister is only half-heartedly for his Lord, inestimable damage is done. If he has lost his Christian fervor and glow, he should go back on his knees or move on out of the way. The minister must be the Lord's anointed. In life and word, and deed it must be clearly seen that his mind, body, soul, and his strength are the Lord's. He must be fruit-bearing for the Christ. Going into his parish and into his pulpit he must lead men to love the Lord. It must be the burden of his life that as a preacher his messages will be such as to lead his members to a true love and obedience to his Master. The laity of the church will respond to some real preaching, backed by good living and demonstrative fruit-bearing. It is contagious. The minister must himself feel this urge for evangelism out of a sense of his allegiance and love for his Lord.

The laity also must feel the burden of evangelism. The minister must learn how to teach his men, women, and young people to so love the Lord and fellow-man that it will be a real joy to bring them together. The minister must prepare himself at Jesus' feet to prepare others to work with him in soul-winning in the community. Sometimes a good layman with the love of his Lord in his heart can do more with an individual than a whole Conference of ministers. The laymen want a great church and a good church, and the minister must show them that its growth and increase depends largely upon them, for the men, women, and young people of a church are its best selling points. If the men, women, and young people of a church have a passion for winning others, the church will grow. Let the minister find the answer to the question: How will I teach my members to want to win others to Christ? and the growth of his church is assured.

We must be inspired by our church. We have an inspiring Lord, but if our church is uninspiring, a shadow is cast upon our love for our Lord. We must know our church, its assets, its history, its leaders, its builders in the past, its distinctive program, its broad doctrines of liberty, and charity to all, its institutions, its possibilities, and its responsibilities. We must see that our Convention has its inspiring record taught to its constituency, and we must have a joy in making that record better. We must sense our divine mission among the Christian peoples of the world and humbly and nobly seek to fill it. We cannot do this without knowledge of ourselves, our Lord, and the particular part of God's kingdom which we desire to be. Without such knowledge there is no *esprit de corps*, and no spirit of being needed in a distinctive way in the Kingdom of God. We must know our church, and love it, and long to make it greater and better all the time.

We must help to develop our Church's literature. We must not let other people do all our education. We must learn to write some of our devotional literature for reading and worship in the family circle. A devotional book written by our own leaders, localized with some of our own history, for we are not ashamed of it, if we are it should be more ashamed of us, and adapted to our own needs, would be a good beginning. Little children should be taught to love our church and our Lord, parents should feel a kinship with other parents in our fellowship, and the program and hopes of this Convention should be the pride of our people; for just as soon as we become somebody at home we are the better able to share with our brothers abroad and everywhere in building up His Kingdom. The pastors in our churches should become more intimately acquainted with many of the professors in our colleges, and vice versa. Inspiring books, handbooks, and brief historybooks should be written by our people for our people in order that we might become a people worthy of our peers and ready and able to do our part in bringing His Kingdom to pass. This is evangelism that reaches forward to the principles of real growth. This is educative evangelism.

Our evangelistic hope must begin in the home and be constant. It must begin with Christian parents, it must be carried into church schools by Christian teachers, and must bring the child finally to his own acceptance for the joy and understanding he has of it, of the Gospel for himself, and the Lord Jesus for his own. That is not saying that we should not point much of our best artillery at the young adults, and older adults in our communities, for we should, but even there it is by precept upon precept, and line upon line, by fellow laymen and laywomen in the church that they are to be won.

Love and obedience to our Lord must be the way. Methods and measures can never take the place of the Master, but if we have the Master with us, then our methods and measures are practical common-sense in doing the great work of the church, namely, winning others to Christ. Therefore, be it resolved:

First—That we seek a renewed consecration to Jesus, by prayer, family devotions, and a devotional study of God's word, and faithful attendance upon worship of Him.

Second—That we have a share in developing the devotional material for our family devotions, and the literature of our Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches.

Third—That we use the material published by our Congregational and Christian Churches for Pastor's Classes, and training boys and girls for church membership.

Fourth—That we make a special effort to arouse increased interest in evangelism first in our pastors and also in the laity of our churches.

Fifth—That we hold a special series of services in all our churches at least once a year for a special in-gathering of those who accept Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour.

Sixth—That we challenge every church to add at least one net additional member per every 50 members or major fraction thereof annually to its membership.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN G. TRUITT, *Chairman*,
H. S. HARDCASTLE,
ARNOLD SLATER,
O. D. POYTHRESS,
MRS. C. H. ROWLAND,

Period of Worship—Dr. Hardcastle, Chaplain.

Hymn—"O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee."

Scripture—Selections from Mark and Matthew.

Subject—"Social Aspects of the Religion of Jesus."

Prayer—Dr. M. S. Poulson.

Hymn—"O Jesus, Master, When Today."

Benediction by Rev. R. L. Williamson.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order at 2 o'clock.

Hymn—"Wonderful Words of Life."

Prayer—Rev. F. Ervin Hyde.

Report of Committee on Promotional Plans read by the Secretary. Report considered item by item, and after a general discussion, adopted as a whole as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PROMOTIONAL PLANS.

The Chairman of the various boards of the Convention together with the President were constituted a committee to prepare and submit a report relative to the promotional work of the Convention. The said committee recommends as follows:

First, that the Convention merge the Board of Education and the Board of Christian Education into one Board under the title, the Board of Christian Education, said Board to consist of seven members of whom the President of Elon College shall be Chairman, the merged Board to be charged with the responsibilities now carried separately by the Board of Education and the Board of Christian Education.

Second, that the Convention elect a Promotional Secretary, who shall be charged with the responsibility of promoting all the enterprises of the Convention and the editing of *The Christian Sun*.

Third, that the Board of Christian Education and the Mission Board join with the Convention in fixing the salary of the Promotional Secretary, and providing for the payment of the same.

Fourth, that the Convention appoint an advisory Committee consisting of the chairmen of the Boards of the Convention; the President of the Convention; and the Presidents of the five Conferences constituting the Convention; said Committee to have general supervision of the work of the Promotional Secretary in making effective the objectives adopted by the Convention.

Fifth, that the recommendations submitted above in this report be made effective as soon as may be.

J. O. ATKINSON,
L. E. SMITH,
VITUS R. HOLT,
R. L. HOUSE,
JOE FRENCH,
STANLEY C. HARRELL,
Committee.

[Note: Col. J. E. West and
Mrs. John G. Truitt, mem-
bers of the Committee, ap-
proved the report before
presentation to Convention.]

On motion all financial matters contained in the report of Committee on Promotional Plans were referred to the Finance Committee.

Report of Board of Christian Education was read by Rev. Joe French, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

During the past two years the Board of Christian Education has continued its effort to serve as a director of leadership training, sponsor of young people's work, and a helper for the churches in their educational tasks. The office has continued in Norfolk, Va., with an office secretary paid \$50.00 per month, and an executive secretary without salary.

The young people's work continues to grow. From our convention has gone the first president of the National Pilgrim Fellowship, the Rev. A. Lanson Granger, Jr. Christmas conferences for the southeast are held regularly. All conferences within the convention have active young people's organizations with the exception of Western North Carolina, where the work seems to be at a standstill for the present. Your board has aided the young people in every possible way but has not undertaken to dictate the things that should be done. Credit for whatever is accomplished should go to the young people themselves.

Leadership training schools have been held at Elon College each summer and in several local churches and church groups. Approximately 500 credits have been earned by members of our churches within the past two years. This is far from what it should be, but is some help.

Many churches have been loaned books and literature on leadership training and for special occasions. Because of the generosity of a friend, 969 New Testaments and 1,890 Bibles have been distributed free during the two years.

Although there is no field worker, the Board has sent representatives more than 6,500 miles annually to render service. This phase of the work is greatly neglected because of inadequate financial support.

Last summer this board cooperated with the Extension Boards of New York in directing Student Summer Service. Eight young people served in our churches for at least part of the summer. Plans are under way for a similar service during the coming summer.

Our churches need more service than they can get from an unpaid executive and an office secretary. We are, therefore, in accord with the proposed plan to merge the Board of Christian Education and the Board of Education, and to put into the field a joint promotional agent for this board and other boards of the Southern Convention.

JOE A. FRENCH, *Chairman*,
F. C. LESTER, *Ex. Sec'y*.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

APRIL 20, 1936 TO APRIL 20, 1938.

Balance in Bank, April 20, 1936 \$ 208.85

Conventions—

RECEIPTS.

1936

May 15	Eastern Virginia	\$ 75.00
July 17	North Carolina and Virginia	90.00
Aug. 4	Eastern North Carolina	78.04
Aug. 20	Eastern Virginia	500.00
Sept. 5	Valley of Virginia	60.00
Dec. 16	Southern Christian	638.40

\$1,441.44

1937

Apr. 17	Eastern Virginia	\$ 50.00
July 15	Eastern North Carolina	77.82
July 29	Western North Carolina	29.03
	Valley of Virginia	61.00
Aug. 7	Eastern Virginia	550.00
Nov. 9	North Carolina and Virginia	100.33
Dec. 21	Southern Christian	536.82

\$1,405.00

1938

Feb. 5	Eastern Virginia and North Carolina	\$ 162.85
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Youth Fellowship and Conference—

1936

May 25	Southern Convention	\$ 19.81
	Eastern Virginia	7.60
June 4	Thelma Morris	2.00
	Holland Young People	1.00
	Mt. Olivet Young People	3.00

\$ 33.41

Miscellaneous—

1936

May 25	Lynchburg Church Conf. Apport.	\$ 4 80
June 13	3rd Dividend Com. Natl. Bank	22.92
July 17	Elk Spur Church	2.00
Oct. 5	Linville Sunday School	4.59
Nov. 10	Bethlehem Sunday School	7.00

\$ 41.31

1937

Apr. 17	Lynchburg Church	\$ 5 00
June 3	United Church of Raleigh	65.00
Aug. 26	4th Dividend Com. Natl. Bank	22.92
Nov. 2	First Church, Newport News	5.00
Nov. 5	Dendron Church	2 00
Dec. 8	United Church, Raleigh	7.00

\$ 106.92

Total \$3,399.78

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salary and Expense to F. C. Lester, during 1936	\$ 755.49
Salary and Expense to F. C. Lester, during 1937	1,312.63
Salary and Expense to F. C. Lester, during 1938	267.79

\$2,335.91

Youth Fellowship and Conference—

1936			
June	16	Miss Dorothy Truitt	\$ 25.00
		Mr. Chandler Adams	25.00
		Rev. A. L. Granger, Jr.	75.00
Aug.	1	Miss Edna Fulcher—Bible School	25.00
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			\$ 150.00
1937			
Jan.	25	Miss Dorothy Truitt	\$ 5.00
1938			
Jan.	6	F. C. Lester, Greensboro	\$ 25.00
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Total			\$ 180.00

Miscellaneous—

1936			
Aug.	25	J. T. Kernodle, Acct. <i>The Christian Sun</i> ...	\$ 250 00
Oct.	5	August Bank Service	1.00
1937			
Jan.	25	Dr. W. C. Wicker, <i>The Christian Sun</i>	125.00
Sept.	2	Central Publishing Co., Stationery, etc.	54.60
Sept.	27	Dr. W. C. Wicker, <i>The Christian Sun</i>	125.00
Dec.	22	L. L. Vaughan, <i>The Christian Sun</i>	125.00
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			\$ 680.60
Total Disbursements			\$3,196.51
1938			
Apr.	20	Balance in Bank	203.27
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			\$3,399.78

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. STEPHENSON,
Treasurer.

Board of Religious Education,
Southern Christian Conference,
Raleigh, North Carolina.

Gentlemen:

I have examined the Cash Receipts and Disbursements of your Treasurer, Mr. C. H. Stephenson, for the period from April 20, 1936, to April 20, 1938, inclusive.

The Cash Receipts listed below are as shown by the Treasurer's cash book and the Disbursements are as shown by cancelled checks in the hands of the Treasurer:

Cash Receipts—

1936 Conventions	\$1,441.44	
1937 Conventions	1,405.00	
1938 Conventions	162.85	
1936 Youth Fellowship	33.41	
1936 Miscellaneous Items	41.31	
1937 Miscellaneous Items	106.92	
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		\$3,190.93
Balance on Hand, April 20, 1936	208.85	
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		\$3,399.78

Cash Disbursements—

Rev. F. C. Lester, Salary and Expenses, 1936	\$ 755.49
Rev. F. C. Lester, Salary and Expenses, 1937	1,312.63
Rev. F. C. Lester, Salary and Expenses, 1938	267.79

Youth Fellowship, 1936	125.00	
Youth Fellowship, 1937	5.00	
Youth Fellowship, 1938	25.00	
Bible School, 1936	25.00	
Miscellaneous:		
J. T. Kernodle, Acct. <i>The Christian Sun</i> .	\$ 250.00	
(For 1936)		
Bank Service Charge, 1936	1.00	
Dr. W. C. Wicker, Acct. <i>The Christian Sun</i>	250.00	
(For 1937)		
L. L. Vaughan, Acct. <i>The Christian Sun</i> .	125.00	
(For 1937)		
Central Publishing Co., Stationery, etc ...	54.60	
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		3,196.51

Balance on Hand, April 20, 1938 \$ 203.27

The above transactions result in a cash balance on April 20, 1938, of \$203.27 which was on deposit in the First Citizens Bank and Trust Company of Raleigh, N. C., according to their statement of April 12, 1938.

Respectfully submitted,

A. T. ALLEN,

Certified Public Accountant.

Raleigh, N. C.,
April 23, 1938.

Miss Edna Fulcher, Office Secretary of the Board of Christian Education, was presented to the Convention, and thanked for her splendid work.

Talk by Rev. F. C. Lester.

Convention expressed its appreciation of the splendid work done by Mr. Lester, for the Board of Christian Education, by a rising vote of thanks.

Announcement about the Elon Summer School made by Rev. W. E. Wisseman.

Announcement about the Pastor's Conference at Elon this summer made by Rev. R. L. House.

Report of Board of Education read by Dr. L. E. Smith, Chairman, and approved, with the exception of all items of finance, which were referred to the Finance Committee. Report was as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The cause of higher education in this country shall ever be indebted to the church for its beginning and nurture. The church in its forward look founded and fostered institutions of higher learning in the hope that worthy individuals might be adequately trained for the necessary professions. Particularly were these institutions engaged in the training of young men for the gospel ministry. Whatever may be the attitude today of higher education in this country toward the church and her interests, higher education must forever be indebted to the church for its beginning and advancement through the years. At present the state would apparently lead in the field of higher education and at times without regard to church-related institutions. Nevertheless, the church continues to function effectively in the field of higher education, and her fruits are perceptibly present in the leadership of church and state. The church-related college is founded on a broader base than the State institution. It is at liberty to develop

the whole of life including the spiritual. The state is at liberty to train in arts and sciences and in fact the entire curriculum of the modern college with the exception of religion. In a land such as ours that requires the separation of church and state, the state must leave to the church the task of training in spiritual and religious matters. This places upon the church and the church-related college a serious responsibility but at the same time affords it a glorious opportunity. We have not yet seen a day in this country when the church-related college was more needed than now. The leaders in politics and government will come largely from our institutions of higher learning. If the leaders of a popular democratic government are inadequately prepared in the realms of morals and religion, they are inadequately prepared for a full and efficient leadership in a free democracy. The development of the spiritual equal with the mental is necessary if a wholesome and a free government is to be preserved for the guidance of a liberty-loving constituency. The position of the church-related college in the field of higher education is becoming more critical. In addition to appropriations from the treasury of the state for the support of state schools, the government is generously subsidizing the cause of secondary and higher education in the hands of the state. In addition to state and federal support, campaigns are being conducted by state universities for scholarship funds and huge endowments that funds coming from other sources may be supplemented by income from permanent investments. The constituency of our church must take into consideration these facts when it faces the present need and future program of our institution of Christian higher education.

The founding and progress of Elon College through the years presents a thrilling and interesting story. From the beginning it has maintained a four year college equipped to train in the field of higher education with special emphasis upon morals and religion. Its hardships have been many, but its achievements have been more. It has contributed leadership to the laity and ministry of the church. It is distinctly a church institution and proposes to remain as such. During the depression, 1930-33, the college found itself in serious financial difficulties. It battled heroically through these discouraging days. Blessed with a leadership of a sacrificing and devoted faculty and the support of a loyal constituency, it has made its way onward and upward until it emerges in a fairly wholesome situation. By far the greater part of its debts are behind it. Its support from the church and friends has increased, and its popularity with young people eligible for college training has multiplied over again, so that Elon College enjoys the largest enrollment in its history and the largest support from the student body ever received. The present administration, through the practice of almost criminal economy and with the support of church and friends, was able practically to balance its budget last year including interest on the remaining bonded indebtedness. The recovery of the college has been so surprisingly satisfactory that it is now invited to renew its application for full membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools on the condition that the college continue to make serious efforts to free itself of debt and meet the salary scale required by the Association. This is most encouraging. With the help of the churches constituting this Convention, the college shall be able to meet these requirements. The entire church should be greatly interested in Elon College when it is reminded of the fact that the net assets of the college today are easily in excess of one million dollars plus the endowment which on the basis of income will amount to approximately \$300,000.

In view of the above facts your Board submits the following resolutions:

1. That this Convention vote the usual budget for Elon College in the amount of \$12,500.00 annually, the same to be apportioned to the churches as required funds for other agencies and enterprises of the Convention are apportioned.
2. That since \$10,000 of this amount represents the interest on the note in the amount of \$250,000 given to the college by this Convention and since this amount, if reached, would virtually guarantee to the college full membership in

the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, this Convention devise some plan by which the college shall receive this full amount. Other agencies have been receiving practically what the Convention has apportioned for their support. In this day of opportunity for the college, this amount should not be denied her.

3. That the campaign authorized in 1935 to raise \$250,000.00 for the college be continued with the urgent request that members of the church, friends, and alumni contribute generously that this amount may be raised, and that the college be requested to complete this campaign not later than December, 1939.

4. That we recognize the approaching fiftieth anniversary of Elon College and that the entire constituency of the church and college be called upon to cooperate with the authorities of the Convention and college in planning for the proper recognition of the half-century mark of our efforts in the field of Christian higher education.

5. That members of this Convention who are most familiar with the history of Elon College compete together with her alumni for the prize of \$50.00 being offered for the best play depicting "Fifty Years at Elon College."

6. That this Convention consider seriously the question of having one Board of Education for the Convention whose business it shall be to foster and promote the cause of education throughout the Convention, beginning with the Sunday schools and closing with graduation from Elon College, and that this program of education include every local church in every conference of the Convention.

7. That we urge our people to send their sons and daughters to Elon College.

8. That the church consider seriously its need of an efficient and trained ministry and that again we pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers unto His harvest.

Respectfully submitted,

L. E. SMITH, *Chairman.*

Moved and carried that all reports of committees requesting financial support during the next biennium, be referred to the Finance Committee before being submitted to the Convention.

Report of Committee on Ministerial Education Loan Fund read and discussed by Dr. L. E. Smith, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL LOAN FUND.

A number of years ago, the several conferences of the Convention were requested to pool their educational loan funds at Elon College to be lent to ministerial students on recommendation of the Conference to which the ministerial student belongs, and by vote of the Convention Loan Fund Committee, all conferences except the Eastern Virginia Conference complied with the request. According to the records at Elon College a total of \$12,320.27 was turned over to the college in the name of the Convention and under the direction of the committee appointed. From our records, it would seem that \$10,786.04 has been lent out to various ministerial students, some of whom never attended Elon College. There is a book balance of \$2,134.23 in this fund. This money is lent to ministerial students without interest until three years after graduation. At that time, the principal and interest fall due. If the student is unable to pay principal, he is expected to pay interest. The beneficiaries of the Loan Fund seem not to have regarded these loans very seriously. In creating the Fund, it was intended to be a revolving fund, that is, the ones who secured loans from the fund were to pay back at the end of three years, or at that time, to begin regular payments, so that their ministerial brethren, needing assistance as they, might borrow from this fund, thus enabling them to remain in college. According to the records, a total of \$956.00 has been paid

back out of a total of \$12,305.83 lent. All loans from this fund were made prior to 1931.

The present committee, consisting of L. E. Smith, J. O. Atkinson, and C. D. Johnston, feels that the borrowers of this fund should now make earnest efforts to settle these accounts. The committee is recommending:

1. That the Convention, in cooperating with the College, settle with the ones indebted to the Ministerial Loan Fund, on the basis of 66 2-3 per cent of the principal, amount, waiving all interest, the settlement to be made in cash within 90 days. Otherwise, the whole amount, including interest, is due.

2. That the Convention authorize the committee in charge to proceed to collect the loans now due the Ministerial Loan Fund of the Convention.

3. That the committee is hereby instructed not to make further loans from this fund without responsible endorsements.

A list of borrowers of the Fund is herewith presented:

LOANS TO MINISTERS FROM CONVENTION FUND.

APRIL 1, 1938.

Date	Maker and Endorser	Amount Paid	Unpaid Balance
Jan. 23, 1924	W. H. Brewer, M. J. Holman		\$ 100.00
Jan. 27, 1925	E. M. Carter, Jesse H. Dollar	\$ 25.00	125.00
Nov. 12, 1923	G. C. Crutchfield, W. N. Crutchfield ..		600.00
Nov. 23, 1923	G. C. Crutchfield, W. N. Crutchfield ...		200 00
Apr. 22, 1924	G. C. Crutchfield, W. N. Crutchfield ...		100.00
Nov. 5, 1927	C. Carl Dollar, J. D. Dollar		250 00
Mar. 1, 1930	C. Carl Dollar, J. D. Dollar		250.00
Apr. 5, 1923	Jesse H. Dollar, C. M. Dollar		375.00
May 10, 1923	Jesse H. Dollar, C. M. Dollar		150.00
Jan. 1, 1924	Jesse H. Dollar, C. M. Dollar		100.00
Aug. 28, 1924	Jesse H. Dollar, C. M. Dollar		150.00
Jan. 1, 1925	Jesse H. Dollar, C. M. Dollar		100.00
Sept. 1, 1917	H. J. Fleming	40.00	230.00
Nov. 20, 1925	J. U. Fogleman, G. R. Fogleman	26.11	123.89
Feb. 20, 1926	J. U. Fogleman		50.00
Sept. 25, 1926	Joe French, J. R. French		200.00
	Joe French, Mrs. J. H. McCormick ...		200.00
Nov. 13, 1923	W. B. Fuller		125.00
Sept. 21, 1923	H. T. Gray, E. O. Gray		100.00
Oct. 16, 1930	Raymond T. Grissom, M. L. Grissom ..		150.00
Mar. 3, 1932	Raymond T. Grissom, M. L. Grissom ..		120.00
Jan. 3, 1930	H. C. Hilliard, W. A. Hilliard		150.00
Sept. 8, 1930	H. C. Hilliard, W. A. Hilliard		200.00
Jan. 6, 1931	H. C. Hilliard, W. A. Hilliard		50.00
Nov. 20, 1925	W. J. B. Hines, H. C. Evans		125.00
Mar. 7, 1923	A. H. Hook, N. F. Brannock		100.00
Nov. 7, 1927	G. S. Hunt, G. D. Hunt		200.00
Mar. 7, 1932	Carl R. Key, J. R. Key		100.00
Aug. 17, 1911	J. N. Knight		105.00
Oct. 24, 1913	J. N. Knight		70.00
Nov. 26, 1923	G. D. Lankford, J. W. and G. O. Lank- ford		100.00
Sept. 1, 1924	G. D. Lankford, J. W. and G. O. Lank- ford		150.00
Oct. 13, 1923	Miss Siddle Latham, O. H. and E. W. McCormick		100.00
Jan. 3, 1923	S. M. Lynam, Durrell M. Estes		100.00
May 17, 1924	S. M. Lynam, G. H. Lynam		150.00

Dec. 15, 1923	S. M. Lynam, G. H. Lynam	300.00
Dec. 12, 1923	G. M. Lynam, G. H. Lynam	150.00
Mar. 1, 1930	Joseph E. McCauley	125.00
Dec. 30, 1926	Joseph E. McCauley, H. D. Lambeth ..	100.00
Mar. 1, 1923	M. A. Pollard, D. T. Pollard	100.00
	M. A. Pollard, D. T. Pollard	100.00
Oct. 9, 1923	M. A. Pollard, G. D. Hunt	200.00
Oct. 20, 1924	M. A. Pollard, G. D. Hunt	200.00
Nov. 23, 1927	H. George Robertson, W. T. Dunn	150.00
Jan. 26, 1929	H. George Robertson, Mrs. Mary W. Robertson	250.00
Oct. 19, 1923	C. B. Riddle	255.00
Apr. 22, 1923	William T. Scott, S. D. Scott	400.00
Dec. 20, 1923	William T. Scott, S. D. Scott	150.00
Jan. 28, 1936	William T. Scott, G. O. Lankford	150.00
Aug. 27, 1930	D. W. Shepherd, J. R. Shepherd	207.15
Apr. 28, 1925	Dwight M. Spence, W. T. Spence	100.00
Dec. 8, 1925	Dwight M. Spence, J. B. Spence	100.00
Apr. 16, 1923	W. B. Terrell, D. R. Fonville	150.00
Jan. 10, 1924	W. B. Terrell, D. R. Fonville	150.00
Feb. 6, 1925	W. B. Terrell, D. R. Fonville	150.00
June 28, 1929	Gardner D. Underhill, Geo. R. Underhill	200.00
Nov. 18, 1917	T. T. Underwood	15.00 125.00
Sept. 10, 1926	G. H. Veazey, G. D. Hunt	100.00
Jan. 1, 1927	G. H. Veazey, G. D. Hunt	150.00
Nov. 1, 1927	G. H. Veazey, G. D. Hunt	100.00
Feb. 1, 1927	G. H. Veazey, G. D. Hunt	100.00
Apr. 21, 1934	R. A. Whitten, Jr., R. A. Whitten	100.00
Nov. 22, 1934	R. A. Whitten, Jr., R. A. Whitten	150.00
Jan. 5, 1931	Sam B. Wilson, Mrs. S. R. Wilson	150.00
Apr. 15, 1918	L. L. Wyrick	50.00 25.00

 \$10,186.04

Due on Notes	\$ 10,186.04
Cash on Hand	450.00
Due from College	1,648.23

 Total Fund \$ 12,320.27

 L. E. SMITH,
Chairman.

On motion, the matter of the adjustment of the amount due from the College to the Ministerial Education Loan Fund was referred to the Finance Committee.

Moved and carried that three trustees be selected by the Convention, who will constitute a committee for handling the Ministerial Education Loan Fund.

Report of the Board of Publications read by Rev. R. L. House, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS.

I. Achievements during the biennium:

1. Rev. F. C. Lester was drafted abruptly into the service of editor and managing editor of *The Christian Sun*. He has given us splendid service. Although laboring under obvious handicaps he has maintained our usual standard of excellence for a church paper.

2. As managing editor Mr. Lester reports an increase of over 950 subscriptions and approximately 1,225 increase in the number of paid subscriptions.
3. This rather remarkable record is indicative of that which may be done with *The Christian Sun*.

II. Recommendations for editing and printing *The Christian Sun*:

1. That *The Christian Sun* be continued as a sixteen-page paper and that a minimum of 50 issues per year be printed.
2. That the price of *The Christian Sun* remain \$2.00 per year and that no commissions be offered.

III. Recommendations for subscriptions:

1. That we endeavor to secure 3,000 subscriptions within the Convention.
2. That the Conferences of the Convention accept responsibility for securing the following quotas:

Eastern Virginia Conference	1,050
North Carolina and Virginia Conference	1,050
Eastern North Carolina Conference	350
Western North Carolina Conference	325
Valley of Virginia Conference	225
Total	3,000

3. That the various conferences apportion the number among their churches and that this apportionment together with the number secured be printed in *THE CHRISTIAN ANNUAL*.
4. That each church have a standing Committee on Publications charged with the responsibility of securing subscriptions and renewals to *The Christian Sun*. This Committee would also secure subscriptions for publications of The Pilgrim Press, and would report regularly to their church in business session.

ROBERT LEE HOUSE,
JOHN G. TRUITT,
H. S. HARDCASTLE,
Committee.

Supplemental Report of Board of Publications submitted by Rev. R. L. House and adopted as follows:

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS.

We recommend that the Convention enter into a contract with the Central Publishing Company, J. T. Kernodle, Manager, to publish *The Christian Sun* for the next biennium.

We recommend that the contract provide for printing and mailing 2,500 copies of *The Christian Sun* for \$105.00 and \$1.80 per 100 copies additional.

We further recommend a minimum of 50 issues per year. We *urge* that the Convention guarantee payment to the publisher on or before the 10th of each month.

We recommend that the editor handle the subscriptions and perform such other duties as may pertain to the office of Managing Editor.

JOHN G. TRUITT,
ROBERT LEE HOUSE,
H. S. HARDCASTLE,
Committee.

Report of the Editor and Business Manager of *The Christian Sun* read by Rev. F. C. Lester, and admitted to record as follows:

REPORT OF THE EDITOR AND BUSINESS MANAGER OF
"THE CHRISTIAN SUN."

JULY 1, 1936 - APRIL 1, 1938.

Two years ago this Convention handed to me a task which seemed to be impossible. You elected me to the editorship, and the Board of Publications made me managing editor of *The Christian Sun*. I had had no special preparation for this type of work and have done the job of an amateur.

The mailing list handed to me the first of July, 1936, carried the names of 1,247 subscribers. Of this number 578 were paid up-to-date or in advance. Quite a large number were far behind in their payments. Through the cooperation of the printer, pastors and members of our churches, I am able to report to you today a mailing list of 2,204 subscribers with 1,801 paid to date or in advance. We have 71 on the exchange or free list. Apparently, several subscribers will have to be dropped from the list, but we have upwards of 2,000 accounts which appear to be active. Out of my experience there are a few observations to be made. These may or may not be accurate, but they express my judgment.

The Christian Sun is a great asset to our Church and may become much more valuable. It now goes to nearly all of our Convention leaders and into a large number of the church homes. It should go to many more homes. The paper should be much more alive and therefore more valuable. This can be possible only by having an alert editor who knows his business and has time to do the necessary work. It will also cost a considerable amount of money, for many pictures will be necessary and they are expensive.

It is possible to sell *The Christian Sun* to our church people on its own worth. This has been proven by the recent campaign in which more than 700 new subscriptions were received. Undoubtedly, there are other hundreds of homes where this sale could be made as easily as it was made recently. *The Christian Sun* more than any other one thing aids in the training of our people in denominational loyalty. It seems, therefore, that it would be wise to get the paper into the hands of every new church member. By so doing we may be able to develop a generation of church men and women who will know their church and be enthusiastic about it.

The present arrangement for editing and publishing the paper is not a good one. The paper deserves more thought than it can possibly get under the present arrangements. It has been a pleasure for me to work with the paper but I have been aware all the time that our church paper needs more careful editorial service. It is my hope, therefore, that some arrangements can be made during the sitting of this Convention so that our Southern Church may have a much more adequate paper.

Respectfully submitted,

F. C. LESTER, *Editor and Managing Editor of "The Christian Sun."*

Greetings from Chaplain and Mrs. H. E. Rountree were read by Dr. Harrell.

Benediction—Rev. H. E. Crutchfield.

Convention adjourned until the evening session.

At 6 o'clock the Laymen's Banquet was served at the Shelton Church.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Convention assembled at 7:45 o'clock. Organ Prelude.

Devotional—Rev. W. E. Wisseman, assisted by the choir.

Address: "It Is Men That Save the City and Not Walls"—Dr. William F. Frazier, Executive Vice-President of Home Boards.

Benediction—Rev. George N. Edwards.

THIRD DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONVENTION.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order at 2 o'clock.

Hymn—"My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

Prayer—Rev. Joe French.

Report of Orphanage Board read by Mr. Vitus R. Holt, President.

Address—Mr. Vitus R. Holt.

Report of Christian Orphanage admitted to record as follows:

REPORT OF THE CHRISTIAN ORPHANAGE.

The Christian Orphanage was chartered in 1905 under the Laws of North Carolina, to receive, care for, train and educate orphaned and dependent children of the North Carolina, Virginia, Georgia, and Alabama Conferences of the Southern Convention. The doors were opened January, 1907. One little girl entered on January 28, 1907. Since that date 447 children have had a home and training there. If we calculate an average of two children from a home, that means 223 homes in distress have been assisted and the needs of the little children supplied. The Christian Orphanage in His name for more than thirty years has been visiting the fatherless and the widows in their affliction. The kind Master has been merciful and kind. He has put in the hearts of many to stand by us throughout the years, to contribute of their love, and to contribute of their influence and their money to make it possible for the children to have bread to eat and raiment to wear. The Sunday schools and churches have been faithful. The good women have furnished Easter dresses, quilts, sheets, blankets, and so on, to help us to make the children comfortable.

Under the present administration of nearly twenty-two years, we have had only three deaths.

ORPHANAGE ACTIVITIES FOR THE BIENNIIUM.

	1936	1937
Number of children cared for during year	99	102
Boys	57	54
Girls	42	48
Number of days of care during year	31,666	31,779
Admissions during year	10	17
Discharges	14	15
Total number of days children occupied beds on account of one or more days of illness	162	105
Tonsil and adenoid operations during year	6	0
Operation for appendicitis	2	1
Major operations	0	1
Deaths	0	0

The year 1936 was a very dry year in the section where the Orphanage is located, and hay and corn crops were very short. The Orphanage had carried over feed from the year 1935 which helped to meet the situation.

The year 1937 was blessed with excellent seasons all through the year and the Orphanage farm produced an excellent crop of everything we cultivate.

DAIRY.

During the several years past, the Orphanage has developed a first-class dairy which furnishes milk for the children and also supplies the needs of Elon College. This gives a number of the boys an opportunity to learn dairying. They learn how to feed, milk, and care for cattle. They also learn how to handle milk in a clean, sanitary way and to produce wholesome Grade-A milk. Dairying is getting to be a big business in many sections, and that gives an opportunity for boys who wish to take up this kind of endeavor.

GENERAL INFORMATION.

Our children attend the public school two blocks from our campus. Those who graduate and want to attend college and can get some friend to make it possible, go to Elon College. We have three girls and one boy who will graduate from the Commercial Department at Elon College this spring. One girl finishes her two years of foundation work for a course in nursing. She will enter Duke University School of Nursing this fall. All these children have been financed by some friend who lent them money and took their note.

The Orphanage suffered a great loss in the death of Mr. J. M. Darden who has been so deeply interested in the Orphanage for many years. He was president of its Board of Trustees at the time of his death and had been for a number of years.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

BIENNIUM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1937.

Income for 1936—	
Through Churches, Sunday School, and friends	\$ 17,654.76
From Endowments	2,361.68
From Wills	5,000.00
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	\$ 25,016.44
Balance Brought Forward, January 1, 1936	9,961.74
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Total	\$ 34,978.18
Less Expenses, 1936	19,844.85
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	\$ 15,133.33
Income for 1937—	
Income from Churches, Sunday Schools, and friends	\$ 18,750.32
From Endowments	2,593.39
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	\$ 21,343.71
Amount Brought Forward, January 1, 1937	15,133.33
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Total	\$ 36,477.04
Less Expenses, 1937	21,466.74
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	\$ 15,010.30
Less Special Fund set aside	5,000.00
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	\$ 10,010.30
Less loans secured by first mortgages	3,500.00
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Cash in Bank, December 31, 1937	\$ 6,510.30

Very respectfully submitted,

V. R. HOLT, *President.*

Report of Committee on Nominations was submitted by Rev. Jesse H. Dollar.

Pending acceptance of the report, a group of members of First Christian Church, Norfolk, was allowed the privilege of standing in recognition of their loyalty to their pastor, Rev. F. C. Lester, and their desire to see him continue in that capacity.

Report of Committee on Nominations adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, beg leave to make the following report:

President—Dr. Stanley C. Harrell.
 First Vice-President—Dr. Elwood W. Jones.
 Second Vice-President—Rev. George N. Edwards.
 Secretary—Dr. James H. Lightbourne.
 First Assistant Secretary—Mrs. Helen Cannon.
 Second Assistant Secretary—Rev. Roy D. Coulter.
 Treasurer—Professor L. L. Vaughan.
 Mission Secretary—Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Trustees of Elon College—J. E. West, L. L. Vaughan, Stanley C. Harrell, C. D. Johnston, E. L. Moffitt, C. H. Rowland, L. E. Carlton, Garland Gray, Jack Nurney, J. D. McClenny, Frederick L. Fagley, Mrs. John Barnwell, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Joe Ballentine, J. C. Ramsey, Oscar Smith.

Board of Trustees, Christian Orphanage—Term to expire 1942: C. D. West, A. L. Jolly, L. R. House, H. C. Simpson, W. B. Truitt, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, L. E. Carlton, George T. Gunther, O. F. Smith.
 Term to expire 1940: J. M. Darden, Jr.

Board of Missions—J. E. West, Mrs. John G. Truitt, Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, H. S. Hardcastle, A. L. Jolly, W. J. Andes, J. A. Williams, E. Carl Brady, K. B. Johnson, Mrs. E. W. Boshart.

Board of Superannuation—J. O. Atkinson, C. D. Johnston, D. R. Fonville, J. M. Fix, James H. Lightbourne.

Board of Christian Education—L. E. Smith, M. S. Poulson, John G. Truitt, W. E. Wisseman, Joe A. French, H. S. Hardcastle, F. E. Hyde.

Board of Publications—Robert L. House, Carl R. Key, W. E. Wisseman, J. E. McCauley, W. M. Jay.

Trustees of Ministerial Loan Funds—L. E. Smith, C. D. Johnston, J. O. Atkinson.

The Christian Sun—Editor, F. C. Lester; Associate Editor, Edwin C. Gillette; Contributing Editors, Elisha A. King, W. T. Scott, I. W. Johnson, J. O. Atkinson.

Promotional Secretary—F. C. Lester.

Editor of THE ANNUAL of the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches—J. H. Lightbourne.

Executive Committee—Stanley C. Harrell, James H. Lightbourne, Elwood W. Jones, H. S. Hardcastle, John G. Truitt.

Delegates to the General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches—Stanley C. Harrell, James H. Lightbourne, George N. Edwards, W. J. Andes, M. J. W. White, Elwood W. Jones, Jesse H. Dollar.

Alternates—G. C. Crutchfield, J. E. McCauley, Joe A. French, H. V. Simpson, W. H. Baker, Mrs. E. P. Jones, John T. Kernodle.

We recommend that hereafter the Convention President and Vice-Presidents be elected for not more than two consecutive bienniums.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. RAWLS,
MRS. JOHN G. TRUITT,
ELWOOD W. JONES,
G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,
J. W. ANDES,
C. D. JOHNSTON,
F. E. HYDE,
J. W. MANNING,
JESSE H. DOLLAR,

Committee.

Report of Auditing Committee read by Charles D. Johnston, Chairman, and accepted as follows:

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee, beg leave to report that we have checked the books of Dr. W. C. Wicker and Professor L. L. Vaughan, Treasurers of the Southern Christian Convention, and find same to be correct.

CHAS. D. JOHNSTON,
R. C. NORFLEET,
J. E. MCCAULEY,
H. V. SIMPSON,

Committee.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We recommend the usual amount of \$75.00 to be paid for secretarial services.

We recommend that the Treasurer be authorized to pay for printing minutes and the other bills incident to holding of this session of this Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. D. JOHNSTON,
H. V. SIMPSON,

Committee.

Report of Mission Board read by Col. J. E. West, Chairman.

Address—Col. West

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF MISSION BOARD.

The constant aim of your Mission Board has been fourfold; First: To save and help weaker churches, also bring together throughout the Convention, pastorless churches and churchless pastors. When it is reported that a church is without a pastor, or about to be, immediate effort is made to suggest to the church a suitable and available pastor. This aim must never be lost sight of, not only in what we may call missionary churches, but in all our churches, since they are themselves self-governing and have the full power to select their pastors. They welcome and appreciate suggestions and recommendations, which the Board always seeks to furnish. Moreover, available pastors are frequently not advised as to pastorless churches and welcome counsel and recommendation of the Board in assisting them to a suitable pastorate. Second: To assist new churches or those heavily in debt in carrying their obligations until they can become self-supporting. Third: To plant churches where there is great moral and spiritual need and where churches would not be planted without our assistance. Fourth: A Constant effort of the Board is that of deepening the spiritual life of the churches throughout the Convention. The world about us through civic clubs, benevolent societies and the State itself, has moved up into

the field of benevolence and philanthropy once occupied very largely, if not solely, by the church itself. Hence, the necessity for the church to move up into the higher realm of spiritual activity, since it is more than a benevolent society, seeking to give physical and material relief, or a school of sociology trying to solve all economic and political problems. Does not its failure to move up into the higher realm of spiritual activity, devoting its concentrated effort to winning souls to Christ and building up a spiritual kingdom through personal redemption and experience, account for the fact that the church grows so slowly in our day? Two years ago our Convention through its Conferences showed the membership of the churches to be 29,647. The membership of the churches as reported to our recent Conferences shows a present membership of 29,758; a gain of 111 members in a total of 195 churches.

Our Lord ministered to the physical and material need of the individual as a means to the end of spiritual redemption and relief. The church as such is a Person and not a program, Jesus being the Founder and Builder thereof, of which He Himself is the Body and Head. As Paul declared, (Col. 1:8) "He is the head of the body, the church; that in all things He might have the preeminence." And again the same inspired writer enjoins, "Feed the church of God, which He hath purchased with His own blood." Every church enterprise and institution must be measured by this standard, namely, the extent to which it feeds the church of God, deepening its spiritual life, working together with Christ in building his church on earth. All other ends and aims of the church must be subordinate to this.

During the past two years there have not been calls for building projects but for paying indebtedness incurred during periods of prosperity, and keeping alive churches that were unable to employ pastors.

To do this work of paying debts, and sustaining churches on the verge of closing, does not have the appeal of new projects and the opening of new territory.

In the face of these facts, however, it is gratifying to note that during the past biennium the receipts for missionary work were, for Convention Home Missions, \$18,568.94; Foreign Missions, \$16,918.49; making a total of \$35,487.43, against a total of \$33,621.87 for the previous biennium, a gain of \$1,847.56 for this biennium.

Designated and disbursed to Home Missions, \$17,776.11; Foreign Missions, \$16,647.63. This does not include funds collected by the Conferences and expended in their own church projects in Home or Foreign work.

We have sought in every instance to work in cooperation with the Home Mission Committees of the various Conferences. In the Home Field your Board has the past two years assisted Mountain Work (Carroll County, Va.) where we now have a parsonage, or teacherage, and three churches with a total membership of 166 with Sunday schools with with an enrollment of 260, and day schools in communities without churches, or schools, until we entered that field. We have also supported to the limit of our ability our churches in Winston-Salem, Richmond, Lynchburg, Ocean View, South Norfolk, Hopewell and Virginia Valley Pastorate; we have cooperated with the Western North Carolina Conference at Brown's Chapel, Hamlet, Bennett and High Point. We also made a \$500.00 a year appropriation to *The Christian Sun* as directed by the Convention two years ago.

In addition to the above your Board has worked in cooperation with the General Board in appropriation to our churches at Asheville, Albemarle, Sophia Parish, Winston-Salem in North Carolina and Charleston, South Carolina.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

In Foreign Missions we do our work through the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, on which our Convention representative at present is Rev. F. C. Lester. Our American Board has always transmitted funds as directed in case there were projects desired by our churches, or individuals.

When such projects are not adopted the funds are administered through the general work. The American Board is now in its 127th year, being the oldest organized Mission Board in America, having at present a total missionary staff under appointment of 445 in the Far East, the Near East, and the Philippine Islands. It also employs 6,465 native workers, with 804 organized churches and 242 self-supporting churches with a total membership of 107,629. There were added to these churches on profession in 1936-37, 6,908. The educational work includes 7 theological schools, besides training schools, industrial schools, secondary and elementary schools. The medical work includes 28 hospitals; 40 dispensaries; 35 American medical missionaries; 52 national physicians; 139 graduate nurses, and 351 nurses in training. In the field of publications our mission presses issued over a million pieces of literature during the biennium in mission fields in the native tongue. Included in our Foreign work, the nationals themselves contributed during the biennium \$714,777.00.

Thus through our Home and Foreign work we as a Convention seek to obey our Lord in carrying out His most emphatic command, "Go ye and teach all nations."

No report on missions would be complete without commending most heartily our good women of the Convention, whose zeal for missions is a source of inspiration to the whole church and but for whose loyalty, cooperation and untiring efforts all mission work would suffer most seriously. It has been the effort and the joy of your Mission Board from its inception to work with the women in planting and cultivating Missionary Societies and assisting them in every possible means at our disposal in their promotional work. They in turn work coordinately with our Board on which they are fully represented in personnel.

We have tried increasingly to cultivate the missionary spirit which is the Spirit of our Master, in our churches, Sunday schools, Christian Endeavor Societies, homes and communities, and to use all the means at our disposal in the one work of building up the Kingdom of God on earth.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. WEST, *Chairman*,
J. O. ATKINSON, *Secretary*.

Report of Women's Board of Missions submitted by Mrs. John G. Truitt, President, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONVENTION.

The women of the Convention take great pleasure in presenting to the Convention a report of decided progress during the past two years. We are very proud of the work we have accomplished and are greatly inspired by the challenge of new opportunities which confront us.

During this biennium we celebrated the 25th anniversary of our Woman's work with a largely attended afternoon and evening service in the Suffolk Christian Church, at which time Miss Ruth I. Seabury, of Boston, Dr. L. E. Smith, Dr. I. W. Johnson, Dr. J. O. Atkinson and Col. J. E. West, all brought inspiring messages.

At this service we received a special Mission offering in memory of Dr. W. W. Staley, which amounted to \$2,000.00.

The Convention has sponsored a Day of Mission Study each year in each Conference, which were well attended, and we believe, very helpful.

During this biennium the Convention has published a new Conference year book, which gives more needed information than the year book heretofore gotten out by each Conference. It also contains six programs for local societies. The Convention Board feels that the new year book has been a great help toward unifying the work throughout our Woman's Convention.

The Virginia Valley Central Conference is divided into four districts.

Number of societies: Woman's, 10; Young People's, 5; Cradle Rolls, 4.

President's roll shows a total membership of 200.

Conference Apportionment for the biennium	\$ 1,000.00
Amount raised on Apportionment	683.21
Special 25th Anniversary Offering	65.02

Total raised	\$ 748.23
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The North Carolina Conference is divided into six districts.

Number of societies: Woman's, 50; Young People's, 14; Juniors, 5; Cradle Rolls, 8.

Conference Apportionment for the biennium	\$ 9,000.00
Amount raised on Apportionment	7,863.37
Special 25th Anniversary Offering	716.40

Total raised	\$ 8,579.77
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The Eastern Virginia Conference is divided into three districts.

Number of societies: Woman's, 29; Young People's, 29; Juniors, 20; Cradle Rolls, 22.

Conference Apportionment for the biennium	\$ 11,000.00
Amount raised on Apportionment	9,673.60
Special 25th Anniversary Offering	1,143.58

Total raised	\$ 10,816.18
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Convention Apportionment for the biennium	\$ 20,000.00
Balance on hand May 1, 1936	69.66
Amount raised on Apportionment	18,220.18

Total	\$ 18,289.84
Special 25th Anniversary Offering	2,000.00

Grand total raised during biennium	\$ 20,289.84
An increase over last biennium of	\$ 3,263.84

The Woman's Convention voted in their regular session today to meet on alternate years with the Southern Convention.

The Convention Apportionment for 1938-40: \$20,000.00.

Officers were elected subject to the approval of this body, as follows: President, Mrs. John G. Truitt; Vice-President, Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell; Secretary, Mrs. C. M. Cannon; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. S. Rollings; Treasurer, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle; Secretary of Young People's Work, Mrs. W. E. Wisseman; Secretary of Cradle Roll Work, Mrs. B. D. Jones; Secretary of Spiritual Life, Mrs. W. R. Sellars; Secretary of Life Memberships and Memorials, Mrs. M. J. W. White; Secretary of Literature, Mrs. Carl R. Key; Woman's Convention Editor, Mrs. W. M. Jay.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. JOHN G. TRUITT, *President*.

Report of Committee on Social Relations read by Rev. W. E. Wisseman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL RELATIONS.

1. ACTIVITIES OF BIENNIUM.

During the past biennium of the Southern Convention, the Committee on Social Relations has sought to carry out its work in the following fields:

(a) *Peace Plebiscite*.—In cooperation with the national office of the Council for Social Action, the Committee urged the peace poll among the churches of the

Southern Convention. The results of this poll have been most useful in stimulating further study, conference, and education among the churches.

(b) *Duke Institute of International Relations*.—The Committee is glad to report that ministers and laymen of our churches have attended the Duke Institute of International Relations during the last two sessions.

(c) *Race Relations*.—The biennium has seen a marked interest in promoting better race relations among the churches of the Convention. The women's missionary societies of North Carolina and Virginia each held a state-wide meeting in 1937, devoted to a study of the way in which local church societies might develop more interest and action in the field of Christian race relations. Your chairman gave addresses at both of these gatherings. He also conducted a seminar on Race Relations in connection with the nation-wide conference on the religious education of adults, held at Lake Geneva, Wis., in the summer of 1936. Likewise, he helped to secure the adoption of an anti-lynching resolution by the North Carolina Council of Churches last January. The Committee is cooperating with the state inter-racial commissions in both North Carolina and Virginia.

(d) *The Junior R. O. T. C.*—During the past year your Committee, through its chairman, has been seeking to get the churches and schools of North Carolina awake to the effort that is being made by the Federal power to introduce junior units of the R. O. T. C. into the high schools of the state. As a result, both the North Carolina Council of Churches and the North Carolina Education Association took recent action protesting this effort to militarize the youth of the high schools. One unit had already been established at Wilmington when the matter was brought to the attention of the Council of Churches. Both public school and church agencies will keep vigilance to prevent the organization of any others in North Carolina.

(e) *Rural Life*.—During the past year, the mission study book of the Home Missions Council was devoted to a study of rural life. The official textbook, *Rural America* was widely used in the churches of the Convention.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS.

The Committee recommends the following:

(a) That the churches of the Convention, in cooperation with the Council for Social Action, join Congregational and Christian churches throughout the United States in promoting the Economic Plebiscite in the fall of 1938. A handbook, *The Economic Plebiscite Primer*, which gives full directions on the purpose and plan of the plebiscite may be obtained from the Council for Social Action, 289 Fourth Avenue, New York City.

(b) That the churches of the Convention make a wider use of the excellent literature now being produced by the Council for Social Action. Of this literature the magazine, *Social Action*, is of very great importance, as evidenced by the fact that it is being increasingly used not only by Congregational and Christian Churches, but also by many other denominations. At least one subscription of this magazine should be placed in every local church.

(c) That the churches of our Convention endorse the work of the Carolina Institute of International Relations, to be held at Chapel Hill, in June. This is the same institute as has been held regularly at Duke, but which owing to the growth of the Duke summer school, must hereafter be held at Chapel Hill.

(d) That the Convention express its sense of sin over the continuance of the lawless practice of lynching and that the churches be urged to assist inter-racial commissions and other appropriate bodies in the removal of this scandal of American civilization.

(e) That, in view of the intensified effort of the Federal Government to militarize youth, the Convention record itself as being unalterably opposed to the introduction of junior units of the R. O. T. C. into the high schools of America.

(f) That the Convention express its opposition to the May Bill and other similar bills which not only tend to involve America in another world war, but also to transform the Federal Government into political and economic dictatorship.

(g) That the Convention go on record as favoring equality of Federal aid for negro and white unemployed.

GEO. N. EDWARDS,
W. E. WISSEMAN,
R. L. HOUSE,

Committee.

Greetings were brought to the Convention from Dr. C. H. Rowland by Rev. W. E. Wisseman, and from Dr. I. W. Johnson by Dr. J. E. Rawls.

Report of Committee on Revising Government and Principles was submitted by Dr. Harrell, and after discussion by Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Chairman, was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REVISION.

The Convention of 1936 recommends the following:

First—That our Principles and Government, as revised and printed in 1922, be printed and offered for sale at a cost not to exceed 50c per copy. However, this reprint should have only certain technical changes, mainly in terminology, especially as the book will relate itself now to our united fellowship in the Convention—the book now bearing the name of *Principles and Government of the Christian Church* to bear the title of *Principles and Government of Congregational-Christian Churches*, with official forms and ceremonies for the churches of the conferences composing the Southern Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches.

Second—That we follow the customs and principles as stated in this book in our local affairs, insofar as they do not legally, or otherwise, conflict with the larger and more general *Manual*; these customs to obtain as at present, as, for instance, the licensure and ordination of ministers by the local conferences, since these customs seem to work well and be approved by our fellowship generally.

It is to be regretted that since it has not seemed practical to print the book without charges to this Convention the work has not been done: Your Committee is still of the opinion that the publication of such a book is essential to the continuation of this Convention. Young men are going into the ministry without a knowledge, or without a handbook to furnish that knowledge, of the setting up of our Conferences and the Convention itself, the relationship of the churches to the Conferences and the Conferences to the Convention. Neither have they a book directing them in the rites and ceremonies of our churches. We urge that a committee be appointed in proximity to each other so they may conveniently get together and prepare and find a way to publish the *Principles and Government* as stated in the resolutions adopted by the Convention of 1936.

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. ATKINSON, *Chairman.*

Motion carried that a Committee of three be appointed, who will be authorized to complete revision of *Government and Principals*, and submit same to the Executive Committee, for its approval and publication at the Convention's expense.

Benediction—Rev. B. J. Earp.

Convention adjourned until the evening session.

At 6:15 o'clock the Pilgrim Fellowship Banquet was served in the First Christian Church. An interesting program was presented.

THIRD DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Convention assembled at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. John G. Truitt, President of Women's Convention, presiding.

Hymn—"Jesus Shall Reign."

Devotional Service: "Love — Sacrifice — Toil"—conducted by a group of women from the Christian Temple, Norfolk, Va.

Solo: "The Earth Is the Lord's"—Miss Edna Fannev, of the First Church choir.

Address: "The Christian Imperative"—Dr. Leonard M. Outerbridge, Secretary of Missions Council.

Prayer—Dr. Outerbridge.

Hymn—"Gather Us In, Thou Love That Fillest All."

Benediction—Rev. R. L. House.

FOURTH DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

Convention called to order at 9:30 o'clock.

Hymn—"Come Thou Almighty King."

Prayer—Rev. W. J. Andes.

Minutes of second and third days' sessions read and approved.

Dr. L. E. Smith presented "A Suggested Program for Every Local Church," which was considered item by item and after full discussion, was approved and referred to the Advisory Committee, as follows:

A SUGGESTED PROGRAM FOR EVERY LOCAL CHURCH OF THE CONVENTION.

1. *Devotions*—home religion. Present to every family in the church a simple plan by which devotions can be conducted at a time most convenient to the family. This material should contain instructions that would create a respect for and a loyalty to our church. Prayer and Bible reading should be emphasized.

2. *Public Worship*—church attendance at morning and evening services with special emphasis upon the evening service. The evening service is the natural time for evangelism to reach the unsaved. Our churches should not abandon the evening service. If proper effort is put into the program for the evening service and the sermon is Biblically evangelistic, both the church and the world will be attracted.

3. *Evangelism*—an evangelistic program in every church with instructions as to how to locate non-church people in given communities and how the church may organize to reach these unchurched people. The church has never grown without an evangelistic effort. We must increase our membership. There are plenty of unchurched people in every community. Christ invited them to come, but He has commanded the church to go. It is our responsibility.

4. *Education*—information regarding our church, our institutions, and our program to reach those who are in the church and out of the church for greater

service—a complete program of organization by which it may be done. Our own Sunday school literature should be used, and *The Christian Sun* should be in every home in the membership of our Convention.

5. *Stewardship and Finances*—proper support for the local church, for the enterprises of the Convention, for the departments of the denomination, undergirding the whole program with a campaign for tithing authorized and adequately planned by the Convention and requested for every church in the Convention however large or small, rich or poor. The whole future of our church rests upon our willingness to give for its support.

Dr. L. E. Smith presented a “Proposed Change of Plan of Representation in the Convention,” as follows:

CONVENTION REPRESENTATION.

President of the Convention.
 Executive Committee of the Convention.
 Members of all Boards and Committees.
 Secretary of the Mission Board.
 President of the Women's Mission Board.
 Superintendent of the Orphanage.
 Presidents of all Conferences.
 Every ordained minister, in good standing, of the Convention.
 One delegate from every local church, elected by the local church.

Proposed change in Representation made a Referendum to the several Conferences of the Convention, for their consideration.

Report of Committee on Finance submitted by Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, Acting Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee recommends the following:

1. That the Convention reaffirm its approval of setting up definite Apportionments to be raised by the several Conferences for the various Funds hereinafter named; with a recommendation that the Conference likewise set up definite Apportionments to be raised by the churches for these same causes.

2. That the President and Secretary of the Convention be hereby authorized in the name of and for the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches, Incorporated, to execute a note to the Board of Trustees of Elon College for two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00), the principal of which shall not be collectable, with interest at 4 per cent per annum, payable annually, said interest to be paid from receipts collected on the “Elon College Fund” raised by the churches and paid to the Convention or direct to Elon College.

3. That for each year, for the next biennium, the Convention will need \$44,000.00, to be apportioned as follows:

Convention Fund	\$ 5,000.00
Convention (Home) Missions	5,000.00
Foreign Missions	5,000.00
Elon College Fund	12,500.00
Superannuated Fund	2,500.00
Christian Education	1,500.00
Orphanage	12,500.00
Total	\$ 44,000.00

The above mentioned funds to be raised by the several Conferences comprising the Convention, as follows:

	E.Va.	Va.Val.	E.N.C.	N.C.&Va.	W.N.C.
Convention Fund	\$ 2,000	\$ 300	\$ 710	\$ 1,280	\$ 710
Convention Missions	2,000	300	710	1,280	710
Foreign Missions	2,000	300	710	1,280	710
Elon College Fund	5,000	700	1,800	3,200	1,800
Superannuated Fund	1,000	150	355	640	355
Christian Education	500	250	215	320	215
Orphanage	3,500	750	1,750	3,500	3,000
Totals	\$ 15,000	\$ 2,750	\$ 6,250	\$ 11,500	\$ 7,500

4. That to assist in raising the above mentioned Funds, a Special Offering at Easter shall be received by the churches for Missions; a Special Thanksgiving Offering for the Orphanage; a Special Christmas Offering for the Superannuated Fund; a Special Offering for Elon College in the Elon College Period. These offerings to be the only Special Offerings for these purposes; and said Offerings shall be credited by the local churches on their respective Conference Apportionments.

5. That to provide for the support of *The Christian Sun*, for each year, there shall be paid by the Orphanage, by Elon College and the Mission Board the sum of \$500.00 each and for the Board of Christian Education the sum of \$250.00; \$2,500.00 from the Convention Fund—making a total of \$4,250.00, all of which payments shall be made upon the basis of the contract made for publishing *The Christian Sun*, and upon the order of the President of the Convention.

6. That the present plan of monthly offerings for Missions and the Orphanage, and the Fifth Sunday Offerings for Elon College to be taken by the Sunday schools, be continued; said funds collected to be paid to the designated agencies and credited on the respective Conference Apportionment.

7. That the Orphanage, the Mission Board and Elon College shall be authorized to make appeals for support to individuals, each during the period herein designated as follows: Elon College—January, February, July, August, September, and Commencement; Missions—March, April, May June; the Orphanage—October, November, December; the Board of Christian Education—Offering from Sunday schools, July, August; Communion Service Offerings for Superannuation. All these contributions to be credited on the respective Conference Apportionments of the local church. The Board of Christian Education may make request of the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Conventions for funds, as heretofore, to assist in promoting the work of said Board.

8. That all funds contributed to designated agencies, including individual contributions, shall be paid to the Treasurer of said agency, and a report made by such agency to the Treasurer of the Convention, and also to the Secretaries of the various churches within the bounds of the Convention thirty days before the meeting of the annual Conference of which the church may be a member, to make it possible for due credit to appear in the Conference records.

9. That all moneys raised by churches, missionary societies, Sunday schools, Christian Endeavor societies and all other societies of the several churches of the several Conferences for any of the above mentioned agencies of the church, shall be included in the annual reports of the churches to thir respective Conferences, and tabulated by the Secretary of each Conference for record in the Statistical Table.

10. That all Convention Funds raised by the churches for the several Conferences for Convention purposes, shall be forwarded to the Treasurer of the Convention, and paid out by checks drawn by the Treasurer, upon the order of the President.

11. That in making remittance to the Treasure of the Convention, the amount contributed, the Fund for which it is designated, and the name of the Church or Conference to be credited, shall be clearly stated.

12. That for the first year of the biennium \$500.00 and for the second year \$750.00 of the Convention Fund shall be forwarded to the General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches.

13. That hereafter no overdrafts be made on any of the Funds of the Convention in the hands of the Treasurer.

14. That the goals of the Christian Orphanage and the Woman's Missionary Convention be recognized by the churches as a part of the Convention goals on the basis of their respective apportionments to the Conferences and to the churches, and that they be carried in the statistical tables of the Conferences and be included in the total missionary and benevolent giving of the Convention.

15. That during the biennium the officers, boards, departments and Conferences of the Convention study the desirability of establishing an equalization fund in the Convention budget.

16. That if during the biennium *The Christian Sun* does not become self-supporting, the Convention consider the establishment of a *Christian Sun* fund in the Convention budget.

17. In regard to the item referred to the Finance Committee from the Report of the Board of Education—That Elon College shall be required to meet one-half the sum of loans granted from the Ministerial Loan Fund, and this sum credited against the \$1,684.23 owed by the College until this obligation be met in full. These sums when paid in full go to the cash fund of the Ministerial Loan Fund.

18. That the Board of Superannuation be authorized to inaugurate a campaign of education in behalf of the Debt of Honor, and to receive at a time selected by them an offering from our churches for the Debt of Honor Fund.

19. That the churches of our Convention be urged to meet in full the Apportionments designated by their Conferences.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. H. LIGHTBOURNE, *Acting Chairman*,
I. W. JOHNSON,
E. E. HOLLAND,
ROBERT LEE HOUSE,
L. L. VAUGHAN,
JOHN R. CHAPMAN,
G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,
MRS. JOHN G. TRUITT,
Committee.

Dr. Harrell appointed the following Committee to revise *Governments and Principles*: Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Dr. L. E. Smith, Dr. J. H. Lightbourne.

Report of Committee on Temperance submitted by Rev. S. E. Madren, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Very early the constituent conferences of our Convention began making pronouncements concerning temperance. Frequently this was done through a Committee on Moral Reform. In 1862 the moral condition of our country was deplored and in 1875 a call was made for holy living, for instruction in temperance in the Sunday schools, and in one conference the members were prohibited from making, buying or selling as a beverage any intoxicating liquors whatever. By 1879 legislatures were being petitioned to pass state prohibition laws and attention was directed to the increase of intemperance. On this same year one conference took the position no person known to use ardent spirits as a beverage was to be licensed or ordained. In 1892 it was declared the only right position is absolute prohibition and churches are urged to use only unfermented

wine at the communion. In 1889 this sound advice was given single ladies, that they disregard the social attention of all drinking men. But in 1891 the committee in one conference became a bit discouraged and reported such reports had been called for so often they may have become tiresome to many.

At the turn of the century, 1900, I. W. Johnson, H. W. Butler and J. E. West, reported in no uncertain terms that they condemned the great social evils growing out of card playing, wine parties, dancing, divorce, profanity, gambling, dishonesty and anything that would make the home unfit for the development of Christian character. In this same year the committee of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference stated immorality and corruption were stamped upon almost every phase of modern life. At about this time attention was being called to the evils of the tobacco habit and more especially to the growing use of the cigarette. Since then we have witnessed state and even national prohibition and the repeal by the nation and by most of the states of these prohibitory laws. The situation today is such that in the three states of our Convention area a different situation exists for each and these can probably be better dealt with by the Conference than by the committee of this Convention. However, certain very definite things can be stated and positions taken. Therefore, your Committee confirms again belief in these attitudes and positions, namely:

Recommendations:

First—That for the individual the safest and most Christian course is that of total abstinence from the use of and refusal to participate in the manufacture or sale of alcoholic beverages.

Second—That in our churches, and more especially in those departments maintained for the children and youth, intensive and morally stimulating courses of instruction in temperance education should be provided.

Third—That the advertising of alcoholic beverages should be prohibited by state and national law.

Fourth—That every effort should be exerted to divorce the issue of prohibition from political attachments and abuses, and that it should be considered and acted upon as a moral issue with the most serious social implications.

Fifth—That we associate ourselves with our sister denominations in an effort to arouse public sentiment in protest against the abuses and violations of the laws of our land, and particularly as to those laws which have to do with the conditions and surroundings under which alcoholic beverages are sold and dispensed.

J. H. LIGHTBOURNE, *Chairman*,
J. E. WEST,
S. M. PENN,
S. E. MADREN,
L. E. CARLTON,
MRS. I. W. JOHNSON,
J. W. MANNING,
Committee.

Report of Committee on Resolutions submitted by Rev. H. E. Crutchfield, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, submit the following report:

Realizing that this Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches has been successful and that it has been enjoyed to the fullest extent by those in attendance, therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we express, by a rising vote, our sincere appreciation to the pastor and congregation of this church for the splendid hospitality extended to delegates and visitors during this session of the Convention.

2. That we thank Dr. Wm. F. Frazier and Dr. Leonard M. Outerbridge for their inspiring messages.

3. That we express our appreciation to the officers of the Convention for their faithful service during the last biennium and the splendid way in which they have conducted the deliberations of this session of the Convention.

4. That we express our appreciation to all who have appeared on the program for the inspiration and information they have given us.

5. That we express our thanks to the pastor and congregation of the Shelton Church for sponsoring the Layman's Banquet and to the Pilgrim Fellowship of the Eastern Virginia Conference for the Young People's Banquet.

6. That there be extended a vote of thanks to our President, Dr. Stanley C. Harrell, for his efficiency in presiding over this session of the Convention.

7. That we express our thanks to the Press for the generous publicity given this Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. WISSEMAN, *Chairman*,
MRS. A. L. JOLLY,
H. E. CRUTCHFIELD,
J. EVERETT NEESE,
Committee.

The Convention recorded its appreciation of the services of Mrs. J. S. Rollings, Assistant Secretary over a period of years, by a vote of thanks.

Report of the Press Committee was given orally by Rev. Carl R. Key.

Report of Credentials Committee read by Rev. A. W. Andes, Chairman, and admitted to record as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

We, your Committee on Credentials, beg to report the following number of duly elected delegates present at this, the Thirty-third Biennial Session of the Southern Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches:

Eastern Virginia Conference—Minister, 22; Laymen, 16.
Western North Carolina Conference—Ministers, 1; Laymen, 0.
North Carolina and Virginia Conference—Ministers, 14; Laymen, 10.
Eastern North Carolina Conference—Ministers, 6; Laymen, 10.
Virginia Valley Conference—Ministers, 3; Laymen, 6.
Total enrollment—Ministers, 46; Laymen, 42.
Sum total of 88 registered delegates.

W. J. ANDES,
O. D. POYTHRESS,
Committee.

NOTE: Delegates elected to attend the Convention:

Eastern Virginia Conference—Ministers, 28; Laymen, 25.
Western North Carolina Conference—Ministers, 11; Laymen, 11.
North Carolina and Virginia Conference—Ministers, 19; Laymen, 19.
Eastern North Carolina Conference—Ministers, 13; Laymen, 13.
Virginia Valley Conference—Ministers, 6; Laymen 6.
Total delegates elected—Ministers, 77; Laymen, 74.
Sum total of 151 elected delegates.

The Convention authorized the printing of minutes as heretofore.

Convention went on record as appreciating the fine spirit and fellowship of Dr. Chas. E. Shelton, in the years past, and requested Dr. M. S. Poulson to convey to him the love and esteem of its members.

The Standing Committees were appointed by Dr. Harrell as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Committee on Memoirs—Dr. W. M. Jay, Rev. T. Fred Wright, Rev. J. L. Foster, Rev. S. E. Madren, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Dr. M. S. Poulson, Mrs. E. W. Boshart.

Committee on Social Relations—Rev. Carl R. Key, Rev. W. T. Scott, Rev. D. J. Bowden, Rev. Carl Voss, Dr. L. E. Smith, Dr. J. E. Rawls, Rev. George N. Edwards.

Committee on Evangelism—Dr. J. G. Truitt, Rev. J. L. Neese, Rev. F. Ervin Hyde, Rev. M. A. Pollard, Rev. Roy D. Coulter, Rev. W. M. Stevens, Rev. Elwood Jones.

Committee on Temperance—Rev. W. E. Wisseman, Rev. J. Everett Neese, Rev. G. M. Tally, Rev. John R. Chapman, Rev. R. L. Williamson, Rev. Arnold Slater, Mr. W. H. Baker, Mr. H. V. Simpson.

Committee on Finance—Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, Rev. R. L. House, Professor L. L. Vaughan, Mr. A. W. McIver, Mr. H. V. Simpson, Mr. K. B. Johnson.

The minutes were read and approved.

Moved and carried that after the worship service the Convention adjourn, to meet in regular session in 1940, the time and place to be arranged by the Executive Committee.

Worship Service, closing with Communion, conducted by Dr. H. S. Hardcastle, Chaplain.

STANLEY C. HARRELL, *President*.

MRS. J. S. ROLLINGS, *Secretary pro tem*.

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ANTIOCH CHRISTIAN CHURCH, AUGUST 10, 11, 1938.

CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY. THEME: "*The Spirit Giveth Life.*"

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Ninetieth Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference met and was called to order at 10 o'clock by the President, Rev. R. L. Williamson.

Mr. Woodrow Wampler of the Antioch Church led the congregation in the opening hymn, No. 198. The worship service was then conducted by Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College.

ENROLLMENT.

Ordained Ministers—R. L. Williamson, R. A. Whitten, W. B. Fuller, M. L. Weekley, R. D. Coulter, W. J. Andes.

Licentiate—Walton E. Brill.

Chairmen of Standing Committees—R. L. Williamson, W. C. Wampler, R. A. Whitten, Mrs. A. W. Andes, M. L. Weekley, Thelma Morris, Irene Hensley, R. A. Larrick, Norman Morris.

Conference Officers—R. L. Williamson, W. J. Andes, R. A. Whitten, Samuel Earman, Norman Morris, Minnie Dofflemyer, R. O. Rothgeb.

Churches.

Antioch—W. M. Nieswander, O. W. Andes.

Bethel—W. H. Alger, Mrs. N. O. Monger, Mrs. C. M. McCoy.

Bethlehem—Ella Pickering, Mrs. R. C. Myers.

Beulah—Mrs. Dottie Armentrout, Mrs. Joe Tibbet.

Christian Chapel—Not represented.

Concord—Mrs. V. T. Huffman, Russell Smith, Frank Derrow.

Dry Run—Roderick Burke, Elma Rinker.

East Liberty—Not represented.

High Point—Not represented.

Island Ford—Not represented.

Joppa—Angelo Bowman, Clyde Miller.

Leakesville—N. F. Painter, G. W. Rothgeb, Mrs. E. Lena Rothgeb.

Linville—R. R. Hosaflook, Marguerite Hosaflook, J. W. Stearn, Mrs. Samuel Earman.

Mayland—J. M. Lohr, E. A. Hillyard.

Mt. Lebanon—Not represented.

Mt. Olivet (G)—Eugenia Snow, J. T. Marshall, Thelma Morris.

Mt. Olivet (R)—Irene Hensley, Louise Anthony, Ruth Strickler, Margaretta Hammer.

New Hope—Hubert Liskey, E. M. Spitzer.

Newport—Jimmy Purdham, Mrs. Mary Deavers, Amy Louderback, Mabel Higgs.

Palmyra—Mahlon Clem, Mildred Carper, Mrs. Shirley Oliphant.

St. Peter's—Mrs. E. M. Foltz, Leona Rhine, Mrs. W. A. Hensley.

Timber Mountain—Not represented.

Timber Ridge—Mrs. Fred Oates, Mrs. Walter Oates, Mrs. Luther Johnson, Mrs. A. C. Oates.

Whistler's Chapel—A. N. Green, R. L. Ettell.

Winchester—Mrs. E. W. Cather, Mrs. K. H. Sale, Mrs. Clarence Brill, Mrs. Cecil Whitlock, E. W. Cather.

Wood's Chapel—J. A. Kagey and wife.

On motion the following were invited to seats as deliberative members: L. E. Smith, C. D. Johnston, K. B. Hook, F. C. Lester, Mrs. F. C. Lester, J. E. McCauley, Mrs. J. E. McCauley, R. L. House, Mrs. R. L. House.

REPORT OF PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee, prepared programs for the Conference at a cost of \$1.50 for material and postage.

R. L. WILLIAMSON,
W. J. ANDES,
Committee.

Adopted with the proviso that the president be empowered to make such changes as may be necessary at any time.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Executive Committee, with the Home Mission Committee, confirmed the appointment of the Committees that the President had appointed.

We voted to appropriate \$45.00 from the Home Mission Fund to each of the following churches: Beulah, Whistler's Chapel, Wood's Chapel, Palmyra, Concord, Island Ford, Mt. Lebanon, St. Peter's and Joppa with the proviso that these churches be given regular services by pastors approved by the Executive and Home Mission Committees.

We voted to buy 150 ANNUALS for this year and to sell these ANNUALS for half price.

By motion the Secretary of the Conference was to be paid \$20.00 and the Treasurer was to be paid \$15.00.

The following lay delegates were appointed to the Southern Convention: R. Roy Hosaflook, R. O. Rothgeb, E. A. Hillyard, W. B. Burke, Mrs. K. H. Sale, Elphis Morris. The president of the Conference was given the power to appoint alternates if the delegates were unable to go.

By motion Rev. M. L. Weekley was selected to deliver the Annual Sermon before the Conference in August, 1938.

R. L. WILLIAMSON,
W. J. ANDES,
R. ROY HOSAFLOOK,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY.

This Conference has existed since August 27, 1838, though under different names at different times.

In Frederick County, Va., on the above date, a preliminary meeting for the organization of the Christian Conference of the Valley of Virginia was held. Rev. W. G. Proctor was chosen Moderator and Rev. Christy Sine, Secretary. The first regular meeting of the Conference was held at Antioch, Rockingham County, Va., November 8, 1838. Rev. John Zahn was chosen President. Other ministers present were Christy Sine, W. G. Proctor, John N. Hiett, William Bowman.

This organization gave place to the Virginia Central Conference which was organized August 10, 1849 at East Liberty, Page County, Va. Rev. J. T. Robinson was chosen President, and Rev. Simeon Ward, Secretary. Other ministers present were James Long, Christy Sine, George Cline, and Isaac N. Walter. Oldest church present was East Liberty, organized in 1828. Other churches represented were Antioch, Timber Ridge, Joppa, and Smith's Creek.

When Conference met in 1863 it was called the Valley Christian Conference. The Conference became divided at Edinburg, August 7, 1869. Rev. Simeon Ward was President; G. W. Gentry, Secretary. Other ministers present were G. W. Woods, Caspar Allenmong, L. P. Marston, W. A. Dofflemyer, A. J. Kibler, J. W. Marvin, W. B. Wellons, and D. A. Long. Churches represented were Antioch, Bethlehem, East Liberty, Newport, Joppa, Narrow Passage, Cedar Grove, Mt. Zion, Timber Ridge, and Salem.

The division was brought about by the question: "Shall the Conference accept the Declaration of Principles, Form of Government, and Directory of Worship?" as set forth by the General Convention (now Southern Convention). One group seceded from the General Convention while the other group retired to another room and formed the Virginia Valley Christian Conference.

These two groups, the Virginia Central and the Virginia Valley Conferences, met in separate sessions until August 17, 1905, when they met in a united body at Leakesville as planned the year before at Mt. Lebanon and Linville. In 1905 the name of the Conference was changed to the Virginia Valley Central Christian Conference. In 1932 the name was again changed to include the Congregationalists. In 1905 when the two met in joint session the ministers present were H. C. Moore, W. T. Walters, James W. Dofflemyer, John Tamkin, A. G. B. Powers, Killis Roach, M. L. Bryant and A. W. Andes.

During the Civil War this valley was the scene of battles and some of the churches suffered severely. Conferences could not be regularly held. At East Liberty in 1863 troops marched by while Conference was in session.

In 1885 the Valley Conference failed to meet and in 1886 Dr. W. W. Staley, President of the Southern Convention, called the group together and reorganized the Valley Conference at Antioch.

During the years from 1838 to 1870 it was the custom at the opening of Conference to elect the presiding officers and appoint a committee to plan Divine Worship, which meant a sermon each morning at 11 o'clock, each afternoon at 2:30, and each night at early candle light, also a committee to arrange business to come before the Conference.

In 1867 the record shows "The meeting connected with Conference closed with good results. We had seventeen conversions."

The usual order of business in these early days was: 1. Reception of members (ministers). 2. Reception of churches. 3. Examination of ministers. 4. Examination of churches and church records.

Eleven different times since 1850 the Conferences have passed resolutions recommending the establishment of high schools, academs, or colleges within the bounds of the Conference.

In 1873 the first Sunday School Convention was recommended by Rev. N. B. Kiracofe. Both branches of the Conference were just beginning to hold Sunday School Conventions in 1892.

In 1898 the first Christian Endeavor was reported from Joppa and in 1909 we had the first Christian Endeavor Standing Committee.

The Conference of 1873 recommended a Home Mission Society and a special session of Conference was called at Joppa that year to write up a constitution for the Home Mission Society.

A colored church was organized in Page County in 1872, by Rev. W. A. Dofflemeyer, and a colored brother, John Wood, was ordained at this conference.

In 1908, in conference at Bethlehem, the Home Mission Committee, composed of Mrs. M. E. Grove, T. H. Showalter and M. A. Dofflemeyer, recommended the organization of a Conference Missionary Association by electing a president, a secretary and a treasurer, for the purpose of raising funds for mission work within the bounds of the conference. The Conference Missionary Association was organized with Rev. W. T. Walters, president, Rev. A. W. Andes, secretary, and Mr. J. E. W. Bryant, treasurer. This organization is still in successful operation, with Rev. William Andes, president, and Miss Minnie Dofflemeyer, secretary-treasurer.

In 1887, the Central Conference appointed Mrs. Lizzie J. Barney Confidential Secretary of Missions, and in 1890, in the Valley Conference, a Committee on Foreign Missions was appointed, probably the first in the conference, composed of Mrs. Alice Lincoln, Misses Ada A. Swank, and Fannie Simmers. Their report, a year later, showed a total of \$13.21 collected for Foreign Missions from the four churches composing the Valley Conference. Last year the Conference Mission Secretary reported a total for Home and Foreign Missions from all the churches, \$437. 85.

In 1899 the Central Conference appointed Mrs. E. T. Iseley, Conference Secretary of Woman's Board of Missions. This later developed into the Woman's Missionary Conference which was organized at Linville in 1912 with Mrs. W. T. Walters, President; Miss H. C. O. Martz, Secretary; and Miss Ivie Andes, Treasurer.

The first city church (Winchester) was admitted in 1912.

The subject of Pastorates is old, yet just as interesting as when it was first mentioned in 1852 when Conference spent a whole forenoon discussing how to divide the work in Rockingham into two circuits. In 1882 the Valley Conference churches divided into two districts with Revs. D. T. Deans and J. T. Kitchen pastors, each had four preaching places and received about \$300.00 for their year's work.

In 1903 the Executive Committee had a meeting during the year to consider arranging churches into pastorates according to request of Southern Christian Convention. We quote from their report: "Four of the ten churches are mission points. When our churches are able to support two pastors we believe a division will be profitable."

In 1906 Conference appointed a committee to map out work for the ministers. This committee made their report and it was adopted. In 1910 Conference recommended that our churches group wherever possible. In 1916 the Executive and Home Mission Committees were asked to map out a suggestive arrangement as to pastorates and report to the churches within three months.

In 1917 the Executive Committee reported that they had mapped out the churches. In 1922 in Home Mission report we find reference to Page Valley Pastorate, and Rockingham Pastorate.

In 1925 Resolutions Committee recommended that we consider the plausibility of placing our churches in districts in such a way as to economize time for the pastor and in such a way as to give the most service to the churches. The Executive Committee was empowered to carry out the recommendation.

In 1929 in his Annual Address Rev. B. J. Earp urged pastorates and a committee of five was elected and churches instructed to elect a committee of three to group the churches into pastorates.

In 1930 the Grouping Committee gave their report to Conference.

In 1931 the one group was in good order but later dropped out.

In 1937, last year, the Home Mission Committee recommended that a committee be appointed for the purpose of grouping our conference into pastorates so as to save time and expense for our pastors and give more time for actual contacting the people in his pastorate, and this committee is to report to the first session of Conference.

In 1881 the Valley Conference in their Literature report concerning *The Christian Sun* said, "We are pleased to say that this body is the banner Conference, having a larger subscription according to its membership than any other Conference."

The first Mid-Year Conference was held at Bethlehem, March 12, 1937; this has come to be an annual event since.

In 1932 the work of the Young People was recognized and a night session was given them.

During these 100 years, Conference has met in regular Annual Sessions, Special, and Mid-Year Sessions 136 times. It was presided over by Rev. John Zahn one year; Rev. Joseph T. Robinson, one year; Mr. John Burkholder, eleven; Mr. Anthony Burkholder, one; Mr. George McInturf, one; Mr. A. J. Downey, one; Mr. George Spaid, one; Rev. Simeon Ward, one; Rev. A. J. Kibler, seven; Rev. G. W. Woods, two; Mr. Jesse Burkholder, eight; Rev. J. W. Brown, one; Rev. W. A. Dofflemyer, five, Rev. James W. Dofflemyer, nineteen; Rev. J. H. Barney, six; Rev. D. T. Deanes, three; Dr. W. W. Staley, one; Rev. J. W. Barrett, two; Rev. P. H. Fleming, one; Rev. D. A. Barney, two; Rev. E. T. Iseley, two; Prof. J. J. Lincoln, one; Rev. R. H. Peel, four; Mr. S. W. Lincoln, one; Rev. L. L. Lassiter, four; Rev. H. C. Moore, one; Rev. W. T. Walters, twenty-one; Mr. J. C. Bradford, one; Mr. W. C. Wampler, one; Rev. B. J. Earp, six; Rev. R. L. Williamson, thirteen, including the present session.

The proceedings of these sessions have been recorded by the following secretaries: Rev. Christy Sine, one; Rev. Simeon Ward, four; Rev. J. T. Robinson, one; Mr. Wm. M. Derrough, two; Rev. Wm. E. Reichter, two; Mr. Martin Strickler, five; Rev. C. J. Ralston, eight; Rev. John Tamkin, twenty-nine; Rev. John H. Barney, one; Rev. W. A. Dofflemyer, four; Mr. C. A. Henton, seven; Mr. J. S. Kagey, eleven; Rev. C. H. Swank, one; Prof. J. J. Lincoln, one; Rev. M. L. Bryant, three; Mr. G. W. Rothgeb, one; Rev. A. W. Andes, thirty-five; Rev. W. J. Andes, five (including Mid-Year).

Treasurers were not generally employed before 1869. Finances, when mentioned at all, were handled by Finance Committees. Since 1869 the following have served as treasurers: Hiram M. Harman, thirteen years; Jesse Burkholder, two; Col. E. Sipe, four; Martin Strickler, thirteen; Harvey Simmers, seven; C. D. Maphis, twelve; M. V. Louderback, one; Samuel Earman, thirty-two years.

There have been 101 Annual Addresses delivered: Rev. J. T. Robinson, two; Rev. Caspar Allenmang, three; Rev. Simeon Ward, one; Rev. Wm. E. Reichter, two; Rev. A. J. Kibler, two; Rev. W. B. Wellons, one; Rev. J. W. Marvin, one; Rev. D. A. Long, two; Rev. J. T. Whitley, one; Rev. N. B. Kiracofe, one; Rev. C. J. Ralston, two; Rev. J. W. Brown, one; Rev. John Tamkin, six; Rev. W. T. Walker, one; Rev. James W. Dofflemyer, four; Rev. John H. Barney, three; Rev. D. T. Deanes, three; Rev. G. W. Brown, two; Rev. J. T. Kitchen, two; Rev. W. A. Dofflemyer, two; Dr. W. W. Staley, three; Dr. J. P. Barrett, one; Rev. J. W. Barrett, one; Dr. P. H. Fleming, five; Rev. D. A. Barney, one; Rev. E. T. Iseley, two; Rev. A. P. Davis, one; Rev. B. F. Black, three; Dr. E. L. Moffitt, one; Rev. S. L. Baugher, two; Mr. D. C. Strickler, one; Rev. A. G. B. Powers, one; Rev. L. L. Lassiter, one; Rev. G. W. Tickle, two; Mr. S. W. Lincoln, one; Rev. M. L. Bryant, one; Prof. J. J. Lincoln, one; Dr. J. F. Burnet, two; Dr. J. O. Atkinson, two; Rev. A. W. Andes, seven; Rev. W. T. Walters, four; Rev. Edward French, one; Rev. R. L. Williamson, three; Dr. W. A. Harper, two; Rev. B. J. Earp, two; Rev. R. P. Crumpler, one; Rev. J. F. Morgan, one; Mr. J. E. Foster, one; Rev. C. A. McDaniel, one; Mr. W. C.

Wampler, one; Prof. A. L. Hook, one; Rev. W. J. Andes, one; Rev. R. A. Whitten, one; Dr. M. L. Weekley, one (this session).

The Conferences have been held at Antioch twenty-one times (including this), East Liberty, eight; Timber Ridge, fifteen; Edinburg, five; Joppa, nine; Bethlehem, nineteen; Mt. Zion, two; Newport, seven; Soliloquy, two; Pimple Hill, one; Linville, ten; Alma, one; Cedar Grove, one; Leakesville, eleven; Kid Run, one; Mt. Lebanon, three; Palmyra, two; Dry Run, two; Concord, two; New Hope, four; Mt. Olivet (R), three; Mayland, two; Winchester, three; Mt. Olivet (G), one; Bethel, one.

At the beginning Conference had five churches, Antioch, Timber Ridge, East Liberty, Union School House (which later became Joppa), and Smith's Creek.

Sixty-three churches have been admitted, some of which were short lived and others have stood the test of the years. At present we have twenty-five churches on roll. The total membership in 1849 was 286. This has increased to 2,477 in 1937.

The counties included in the Conference are Hampshire County, W. Va., Frederick, Shenandoah, Rockingham, Page, and Greene, and for a short time Augusta.

The ministers who have labored for the cause in the Conference have come from Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, North Carolina, and East Virginia, but we would not forget some of the prophets who have grown up in our own borders, namely the Dofflemyers (David, William, James, and Jasper), Ralston, Fleming (J. C.), Calhoun, Harding, Kiracofe, Baugher, Swank, Black, the Andes (A. W. and W. J.), Bryant, Hook (W. C.), Clem and Brill.

Your Committee recommends that the name of the Conference be changed to the Virginia Congregational-Christian Conference.

MRS. B. F. FRANK, *Chairman*,
J. C. BRADFORD,
R. ROY HOSAFLOOK,
Committee.

Report adopted with the proviso that the recommendation of the report be tabled for one year.

By motion a rising vote of thanks was extended to the Committee for their splendid report.

By motion a copy of the report was to be sent to *The Christian Sun* for publication and likewise it was to be in the minutes of the Conference, published in the ANNUAL, and if there was any extra expense for printing in the ANNUAL the same was to be taken care of by the Conference.

The President appointed the following Press Committee: Rev. F. C. Lester, Anna Lou Showalter, Eugenia Snow and Douglas Cather.

Mr. Wampler sang as his solo, "The Ninety and Nine."

Anniversary Sermon delivered by Rev. M. L. Weekley.

Adjournment for lunch.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:30 P. M. by Vice-President Rev. R. A. Whitten.

Hymn No. 251, led by Mr. Wampler.

Prayer by Rev. F. C. Lester.

REPORT OF STEWARDSHIP SECRETARY.

The subject Stewardship is a much discussed subject in sermons and in printed articles but little has been done about it. Too many fall by the wayside and wait for a more convenient time to practice stewardship.

Your Secretary believes there is no subject any plainer in the Bible than that of Stewardship. No man whether rich or poor, young or old, learned or ignorant, can escape that fact that God is the owner of everything. Man owns nothing. At the present time we find an increasing number of books upon tithing as an invaluable aid in the development of Stewardship consciousness. Tithing groups are being organized. A growing number of our pastors are talking out loud on tithing from the pulpit. Objections to tithing are becoming less vocal. Therefore, I believe there is a general awakening on the whole subject of Christian giving.

"Go break for the needy sweet charity bread
For giving is living," the angel said.
"And must I keep giving and giving again?"
My peevish, selfish answer ran.
"Oh, no!" said the angel piercing me through,
"Just give 'til the Master stops giving to you."

What Tithing Does—

1. It teaches the tither to put first things first. "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God."
2. Gives the tither an enlarged vision, a willing mind, a liberal heart and a closer relation with God.
3. Creates within his soul a growing appreciation of spiritual values and an attitude of cheerfulness. "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver."
4. Returns to the tither constantly growing spiritual dividends and material dividends, too.
5. Cleanses the heart from selfishness.
6. Results in a more careful spending of the nine-tenths.
7. Develops Christian character. That is a tither's supreme reward, the reward every sincere Christian steward covets. "Well done, good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

May I suggest the following—

1. More stress on Stewardship by our Pastors.
2. Stewardship groups organized into classes.
3. May we all develop Christian character.

MINNIE DOFFLEMYER,
Stewardship Secretary.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

"Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already unto harvest." (John 4:35.) The Church of the present day is confronted with many problems and her task is a comprehensive one. Many things should be considered which require time and thought, but the aim of the whole Church enterprise is "spiritual." This should come first, for it is the objective which justifies the existence of the Church as an organization.

Evangelism, or Evangel, means "God's Message." It was first proclaimed on the day when man sinned, when hope was dark and when the human family drank from the bitter cup. It may take many forms but ever has one purpose; namely, to win people to Christ. Its appeal must be for a surrendered and a dedicated life. It must lead people to accept what God offers men in Christ and to a decision that will involve the whole man, his will and affections and make the presence of Christ a reality in personal experience.

To be called of God into the field of Evangelism is a high and holy task. In this day of change and uncertainty it is well for us to remember that God

never changes. He is the same yesterday, today and forever. To this sacred task God calls both his ministers and the lay members of the church. The church of today is at the cross-roads. She may be led by the true servant of God to a full consecration in God's service and thus help build a new world wherein dwelleth righteousness, or she may turn aside and devote her time to less important things and neglect her high and holy calling. The quality of Christianity from the pulpit to the pew must be Christ-like in every relation of life. God wants a holy church, dedicated to one and only one purpose, and that purpose is to reach the unreached for the Kingdom of Christ. To the faithful ones He gives His promise of blessing.

Before we can hope to realize fruit in the field of evangelism, we must first give ourselves unreservedly unto God. William Penn wrote in preface to George Fox's *Journal* the following: "They were changed men themselves before they went to change others." John Wesley wrote: "I went to America to convert the Indians; but, Oh! who shall convert me?" The church, if wholly consecrated to Christ, separate from the world and filled with the Holy Spirit, can travail in prayer until power comes to bring forth sons and daughters born not of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

We, therefore, urge our ministers and laymen to accept the challenge of this present hour and return to the closet of prayer until we shall be commissioned anew to the task which we have so sadly neglected. Let us give ourselves unto the Lord. When we have done this we may trust Him for results and we shall reap a harvest of souls.

Respectfully submitted,

(REV.) ROBERT A. WHITTEN.

Address: "Our Program of Evangelism"—Rev. R. L. House.

Report of Committee on Evangelism was adopted.

Hymn No. 109 led by Mr. Wampler.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

The group of devout souls that assembled this Conference a century ago no doubt were seeking to find a better way to educate souls to become members of Christ's kingdom. Their work reflects their realization of the value of unity in the cause. The answer speaks forth from the fruits of their work as we see it today.

They were seeking the better way in the same spirit as the Master of Galilee sought and is challenging us to seek today. They asked for no great revolution of ideas. There is no need for them today. There is, however, and has been in every age, a need for more serious study and a deeper understanding of the problems and changes. It is not a task of education to return to the good old days but to educate our people to see the picture as it is. Moses taught an eye for an eye, and Christ taught us to love and to do good to them that hate us. Of course it was several thousand years of progress coming in thirty-three years and radical for its day and had sting enough to crucify its teacher. Yet his workers must suffer. Our answer will be in terms of suffering today. A few guide posts will help; a Risen Lord with its complete message in a non-Pharisaical manner; filled with a divine touch on human life that Christ gave it; and revived passion for saving souls.

Through cooperation of the Board of Christian Education and the Church Extension Boards, we had four Student Summer Service workers this year and Daily Vacation Bible Schools were held at the following churches: Bethel, Bethlehem, Beulah, Concord, Dry Run, Joppa, Leakesville, Linville, Mt. Olivet (G), Mt. Olivet (R), Newport and Palmyra. Bibles and literature were distributed at some of these schools.

There were 28 young people at the Elon Leadership Training School in June. The following 11 churches were represented: Antioch, 4; Bethel, 4;

Bethlehem, 2; Leakesville, 1; Linville, 2; Mt. Olivet (G), 3; Mt. Olivet (R), 2; New Hope, 1; Newport, 4; Palmyra, 1; Winchester, 2. One pastor was also present.

Leadership Training Schools were held at Bethel and Newport.

We seem to be on the right road as we have more vacation Bible Schools, send more young people to training schools, train officers in churches and Sunday schools, and study the grouping of the churches. Let us keep these and other goals before us striving to gain them. May we face these years before us with a determination to make progress for Him. What will Twenty-Hundred and Thirty-Eight say of us?

A. A. DOFFLEMYER,
Director.

Adopted.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

At the Mid-Year Conference held at Bethlehem Church, March 24, 1938, the following were elected to a committee to devise plans for Conference apportionments: Rev. W. J. Andes, Rev. R. D. Coulter, Rev. R. A. Whitten, Mrs. R. A. Larrick and Mr. R. C. Myers..

This Committee met Thursday, July 21, with all members present, and after much discussion of the subject the following plan, as submitted herewith, was adopted by the Committee, which we recommend for adoption by this Conference:

CHURCH	Conference Fund	Superannuated Fund	Convention Missions	Christian Education	Convention Fund	Elon College Fund	Orphanage	TOTAL
Antioch	\$ 46.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 36.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 200.00
Bethel	23.00	6.00	18.00	4.00	9.00	10.00	30.00	100.00
Bethlehem	46.00	12.00	36.00	8.00	18.00	20.00	60.00	200.00
Beulah	8.05	2.10	6.30	1.40	3.15	3.50	10.50	35.00
Concord	17.25	4.50	13.50	3.00	6.75	7.50	22.50	75.00
Dry Run	23.00	6.00	18.00	4.00	9.00	10.00	30.00	100.00
Island Ford	3.45	.90	2.70	.60	1.35	1.50	4.50	15.00
Joppa	5.75	1.50	4.50	1.00	2.25	2.50	7.50	25.00
Leakesville	69.00	18.00	54.00	12.00	27.00	30.00	90.00	300.00
Linville	69.00	18.00	54.00	12.00	27.00	30.00	90.00	300.00
Mayland	40.25	10.50	31.50	7.00	15.75	17.50	52.50	175.00
Mt. Olivet (R) ...	40.25	10.50	31.50	7.00	15.75	17.50	52.50	175.00
Mt. Olivet (G) ...	46.00	12.00	36.00	8.00	18.00	20.00	60.00	200.00
Mt. Lebanon	11.50	3.00	9.00	2.00	4.50	5.00	15.00	50.00
New Hope	23.00	6.00	18.00	4.00	9.00	10.00	30.00	100.00
Newport	46.00	12.00	36.00	8.00	18.00	20.00	60.00	200.00
Palmyra	11.50	3.00	9.00	2.00	4.50	5.00	15.00	50.00
St. Peter's	3.45	.90	2.70	.60	1.35	1.50	4.50	15.00
Timber Ridge	46.00	12.00	36.00	8.00	18.00	20.00	60.00	200.00
Whistler's Chapel .	11.50	3.00	9.00	2.00	4.50	5.00	15.00	50.00
Winchester	69.00	18.00	54.00	12.00	27.00	30.00	90.00	300.00
Wood's Chapel ...	11.50	3.00	9.00	2.00	4.50	5.00	15.00	50.00
Total	\$670.45	\$174.90	\$524.70	\$116.60	\$262.35	\$291.50	\$874.50	\$2,915.00

A motion was made and passed by the Committee requesting the Conference to drop from the roll the following churches: High Point, East Liberty, Timber Mountain and Christian Chapel.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. ANDES,
R. D. COULTER,
R. A. WHITTEN,
MRS. R. A. LARRICK,
R. C. MYERS,

Committee.

By the motion of the Conference the action of dropping from its roll those churches requested in the report was tabled for another year. Further investigation is to be made. Report adopted as amended by the above motion.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

In this fast age in which we are living there is so much chaos and confusion that we are bewildered and lost. There are the various kinds of literature in which we dare not trust. There remains that one Book of books which has proven true to the test of the ages. That is our only guide, "a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path"—(Psalm 119: 105). There are thousands of young people in prisons over the land today who, if they had been given the right kind of food for their minds, might have been giving their lives in service for our Master. For "Ye do err, not knowing the scripture or the power of God"—(Matthew 22: 29). Are we going to continue letting the minds of our young people be undernourished? If not, then let's do something about it. Give them the *Pilgrim Highroad* which will not only be interesting but uplifting in morals and helpful in solving their problems as well. If you want to know what your church is doing and what it can do toward bettering living conditions among all races and classes of people then read *Social Action*, a monthly magazine published by the Council for Social Action. If you want to know what can be done and what is being done in the home and foreign mission field then subscribe for the *Missionary Herald*. Also there is *Advance*, our Congregational Church monthly magazine with which we should acquaint ourselves. Then comes our own church paper of the South, *The Christian Sun*, which should be in the homes of all our church members. And it is sad to note what a small per cent subscribe for and read it. The Pilgrim Press, our own denominational house, has the very best type and quality of literature available, and if we will cooperate with and support them will continue to reach the minds of more people.

Each year your committee on religious literature urges more reading of the Bible, more support of *The Christian Sun*, and various church papers, magazines and Sunday school literature. Each year you adopt their report, but how many ever think about reading the Bible or any other religious literature than you did when you adopted last year's report. Oh, my friends, please consider these things as a matter of importance and not as things to be forgotten until next Conference.

We, your Committee, recommend the following:

1. That we donate a few minutes of our time each day for reading and meditating upon some passage of Scripture.
2. That we support our own denominational publishing house through use of their magazines, papers, books and Sunday school literature.
3. That the Committee on Religious Literature be continued in the churches, and those who do not have a committee to appoint one, whose duty it is to obtain subscriptions to *The Christian Sun* and to acquaint the church with other religious literature.

4. The Southern Convention asks this Conference for a quota of 225 subscriptions to *The Christian Sun*. We recommend that this quota be applied to the different churches as follows: Antioch, 20; Bethel, 10; Bethlehem, 10; Beulah, 5; Concord, 5; Dry Run, 8; Island Ford, 5; Joppa, 5; Leakesville, 20; Linville, 15; Mayland, 15; Mt. Olivet (R), 12; Mt. Olivet (G), 18; Mt. Lebanon, 8; New Hope, 8; Newport, 10; Palmyra, 5; St. Peter's, 5; Timber Ridge, 15; Whistler's Chapel, 5; Winchester, 20; Wood's Chapel, 5.

IRENE HENSLEY, *Chairman*,
MRS. FRED OATES,
MRS. EDGAR NELSON,
W. M. NIESWANDER,
Committee.

Reported adopted.

Appointment of Special Committees:

Place—O. W. Andes, W. M. Nieswander, Mabel Higgs, and Mrs. V. T. Huffman.

Resolutions—Mrs. C. M. McCoy, Mrs. Clarence Brill, Thelma Morris, and Mrs. R. C. Myers.

Finance—R. Roy Hosaflook, N. F. Painter, Mahlon Clem, and J. C. Bradford.

Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 8 P. M. with Miss Minnie Dofflemyer, President of Valley Pilgrim Fellowship, presiding.

Worship Service conducted by Miss Pattie Lee Coghill of Jacksonville, Fla.

Miss Eugenia Snow brought echoes from the Rockford National Pilgrim Fellowship Council.

Duet: Misses Doris and Jean Driver.

Installation service of the new Pilgrim Fellowship Officers was led by Miss Coghill with Rev. F. C. Lester leading in Prayer.

Address: "The Spirit Giveth Life"—Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College.

Adjournment.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:30 by President, R. L. Williamson.

Hymn No. 180, led by Mr. Wampler.

Worship Service was led by Rev. J. E. McCauley, pastor of the Congregational-Christian Church in Richmond, Va.

Minutes of Wednesday were read and approved.

On motion Rev. Sizer, from Staunton, Va., was invited to a seat as a deliberative member of the Conference.

Motion passed that the Conference go on record as favoring the change in representation of this Conference to the Southern Convention to be as follows:

(1) All ministers and officers of the Conference to be delegates to the Convention by virtue of their respective offices.

(2) One delegate from each church to be elected by that church.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE.

We are living in a restless and reckless age, an age when intemperance, irreverence, materialism, murder, bloodshed, and a general disregard for the law are practiced. Such evils as these threaten the very foundations of our great nation today. We, as Church people, must not allow these to go on unhindered and bring about the ruin of our nation, as they surely will if something is not done.

Community social service is not sufficient and the churches should awake to their full responsibilities in "Bearing one another's burdens." The cause of Christ will never prevail if the central emphasis is sermons and church services. Evil will not come to the church to be sanctified. The church must go where the evil is to transform it. The gospel must be taken to the source of the disease. The church must recognize the many changing conditions of our social life and ideas and must adjust itself to meet those conditions advantageously.

When we look at our jails and penitentiaries and see them filled with criminals, mostly from our youth of today, we wonder if the home, the church and the school are not failing in the proper training of our boys and girls. What are we doing about it? What are we planning to do about it in the future?

The Committee on Social Service recommends the following:

1. That we live and teach undefiled religion in the home.
2. That the church take more active part in developing a recreational program that will better meet the needs of the young people of our communities.
3. That we use our influence to break up the liquor trade and drunkenness.
4. That we endorse all peace agencies and do all in our power to prevent war.
5. That we keep in mind that it is men we are trying to change and that we are for anything that brings them nearer to God.
6. That churches and religious groups cease making pious resolutions which they never expect to put into practice.

NORMAN MORRIS,
ANNA LOU SHOWALTER,
MINNIE DOFFLEMYER,
Committee.

Adopted.

Address: "The Orphanage and the Service It Renders"—C. D. Johnston, Superintendent of Elon Orphanage.

Miss Edith Virginia Bryant, a young lady from the Christian Orphanage, spoke in behalf of the Orphanage.

Address: "Elon College and Its Service"—Dr. L. E. Smith, President of the College.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE MISSION SECRETARY.

As we give this report, we realize that we cannot in any way affect or change our actions for the past year, but we hope it may arouse us to a deeper loyalty and devotion to our Christ and His cause in our part of His vineyard during the coming Conference Year. We are glad, however, to report a gain in our giving to missions, both from the Sunday schools and churches as compared with last year, which was as follows:

<i>Last Year—</i>			
Sunday Schools	\$318.63	Churches	\$119.22
<i>This Year—</i>			
Sunday Schools	\$385.01	Churches	\$176.50
This gives the Sunday schools a gain of			
and the churches a gain of			
			\$ 66.38
			57.28
Making a total gain of			\$123.66

As the above indicates, more was sent in for missions from the Sunday schools than from the churches. This indicates two very hopeful and significant facts.

First—By and through the Sunday school offering for missions our young people in particular are made missionary minded. Not that every young person in every class of every school makes an offering every month, but the opportunity is at least given and with it the impression made that missions are essential and have a place in every Christian assembly, both for young and old. We will come to be a missionary church only when our young people, taught missions while young, shall come to maturity realizing the divine task and place of missions in every Christian mind and heart.

Second—The larger total offering from the Sunday school than from the church as such emphasizes the fact that continuous and repeated efforts in a worthy and divine task count for more in the final than occasional efforts or donations. We again recommend that all our Sunday schools take the monthly offering for missions and that the churches put in their regular budgets the apportionment for missions, so that no church will wait until the final meeting of the Conference year to raise their missionary offering. Missions are carried on by those who are willing and ready to share with others, whom they may or may not see, the life and the love of our Lord by giving the Gospel to those who need it at home and abroad.

R. O. ROTHGEB, *Secretary*.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

America's unchurched millions and her amazing crime record are conditions of gravest concern to church people interested in Home Missions. Surveys reveal that not more than one-third of the members of the Protestant churches of America attend Sunday worship with any degree of regularity or contribute to the support of these churches.

Of the 134,000,000 people in the United States, representing the greatest human mixture ever brought together, 70,000,000 are not enrolled in any Christian church, 10,000 rural communities in which there is no religious organization of any description, and 30,000 other communities which have vacant or abandoned churches because they have no resident ministers or religious teachers to serve them.

Twenty-seven million Protestant young people out of the 51,000,000 in the country under 25 years of age are not enrolled in a church, Sunday school or any institution for training in spiritual knowledge. Is it any wonder that 85 per cent of all crimes of violence are committed by young men between the ages of 14 and 25?

America is known as a nation of law-breakers. Our national prison population is increasing at the rate of 25,000 a year and the average age of all our criminals is 19 years. Crime in this country is costing us twelve billion dollars a year and 1,000 lives a month. Criminals in the United States number 300,000, which is greater than the army and navy and all the defense forces of our nation, and yet we try to fool ourselves into believing we are a Christian nation.

This condition has evidently been brought about by a neglect of God's Book, a desecration of God's day and a consequent desecration of God's house.

If these conditions are to be changed, the Church must offer something better than clubs, societies, and similar organizations, however meritorious. The Church must live Christianity as well as profess it. The Church needs to be brought to its knees in confession and repentance of sin and revitalized by the power of the Holy Spirit for the task that lies before it to win our nation, our church, our homes to Jesus Christ.

To do this the Church must have a consecrated, sacrificing ministry, church officials, Sunday school superintendent, and teachers. Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we renew our faith and interest in the grouping of our churches into

convenient pastorates and urge our churches to increase their contributions to the support of the minister and all enterprises of the church.

2. That the church demand the best qualified and most spiritually-minded leadership in its ministry, Sunday school superintendents, officers of the church, that it has at its command.

3. That every church within the bounds of this Conference be urged to have an evangelistic program sometime during the conference year, and when advisable and agreeable an approved evangelist be invited to conduct the meeting.

W. C. WAMPLER, *Chairman*,
E. A. HILLYARD,
J. M. LOHR,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"Go ye therefore and teach all the nations." Are we doing our share in helping to carry out Christ's great commission? Are we true Christians and do we have a missionary spirit? Are we willing to give a part of our worldly possessions to the cause of missions and a part of our time in studying and praying for these friends we have never seen?

Our churches in the Valley need information and teaching about the foreign field, for without it how can they be interested? It is up to those of us who are leaders in the churches so to inform ourselves so that we may teach our fellow-church-members. We might teach by worship programs, talks, stories and dramatizations.

We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, wish to recommend the following:

1. That the leaders and pastors of this Conference stress the cause of Missions and teach our people about our foreign friends.

2. That we spend more time in prayer for Missions and observe the World Day of Prayer in March.

3. That each church strive to raise its quota, if not more, for missions, as the new plan of apportionment states.

4. That we try to understand people of other races and by this understanding we show a kind, sympathetic and Christian spirit toward them.

THELMA MORRIS, *Chairman*.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WOMAN'S BOARD.

The Eleventh Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Women's Missionary Conference met at Palmyra Church, July 28, 1938. Mrs. K. H. Sale presided in her efficient manner, having her program very forcefully arranged, and developing the theme, "Companionship with the Divine Friend," very splendidly until the Conference felt the presence of this Divine Friend. The Conference felt indeed fortunate in having as its guest speakers Mrs. John G. Truitt, who is President of the Southern Woman's Board, and Rev. F. E. Hyde, pastor for the Sanford Church in North Carolina. Their addresses were both inspiring and informing and were greatly appreciated by those present. Beautiful worship services were rendered by Miss Helen Showalter and Mrs. R. A. Whitten. A Constitution, written and prepared by a select group from the Southern Woman's Board, was adopted by the Conference, which will greatly aid the work in the future.

In the Conference are: 7 Women's Societies; 3 Young People's Societies; and 4 Cradle Rolls. There are three districts of the Conference, each holding a mission rally during the year. The goal in finance was \$500.00 for the year, and we raised \$329.31 of that amount. An offering from several of the churches, which amounted to \$45.00, was given to Rev. Severina M. Ochoco, a young man from the Philippine Islands, completing his work at Shenandoah College.

The Traveling Library, which promoted the sending of mission books from one society to another, has been found worthwhile and will be used again this year. The societies have used other literature than the books in their work.

Long will the visit of Miss Ruth Isabel Seabury to our Conference be remembered. She spoke at Winchester, Linville and Bethel. Her messages were excellent, attracting the attention of the most disinterested person in the audience and motivating all others to new heights of inspiration and labor.

Our work has been small and meager this year. Always do we aspire to greater work and we are sincerely eager to enlarge our interest and work during the coming year. The challenge is not only ours but yours. We are under the same Lord and Master, thus are we under His challenge to help spread the Gospel unto the uttermost parts of the earth.

MRS. A. W. ANDES,
Chairman.

Adopted.

Motion was made and carried that the Conference adjourn for the meeting of the Conference Missionary Association.

CONFERENCE MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

The Conference Missionary Association was called to order by the President, Rev. W. J. Andes. The roll was called.

Minutes of Last meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer then reported that the following membership fees had been received—Rev. W. J. Andes, \$5.00; Rev. R. D. Coulter, \$5.00; Rev. R. A. Whitten, \$5.00; Bethlehem Church, \$5.00; New Hope Church, \$5.00; Linville Church, \$5.00; Sunday and Christian Endeavor Convention, \$10.00; Loy H. Hook, \$5.00; Win One Bible Class, Winchester, \$5.00; Samuel Earman, \$5.00; Miss Olive Showalter, \$2.50; Mrs. Barbara Andes, \$2.50; O. W. Andes, \$5.00; Mrs. Roy Hosaflook, \$2.50; Mrs. J. E. Bryant, \$2.50; Miss Mary Pickering, \$5.00; Miss Verdine Showalter, \$2.50; Miss Minnie Showalter, \$2.50; Antioch Church, \$5.00; Woman's Missionary Society, Linville, \$5.00. Total amount received, \$90.00.

On motion the Treasurer was authorized to turn money on hand over to Conference Treasurer for Home Mission Fund. On motion same officers retained for ensuing year.

W. J. ANDEES, *President.*
MINNIE DOFFLEMYER, *Sec'y.*

Appointment of Nominating Committee:

President appointed: J. C. Bradford and R. C. Myers.

Conference elected: J. W. Stearn, J. A. Kagey, and R. O. Rothgeb.

Address: "Ambassadors for Christ"—Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Secretary of Missions. His address was delivered by Rev. R. D. Coulter.

Benediction by Dr. L. E. Smith, in which prayer for Dr. Atkinson's recovery from his illness was made.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:30 P. M. by the President.

Hymn No. 87, led by Mr. Wampler.

Prayer by Rev. Sizer.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

The Sunday school, being the preparatory department of the church, should be conducted according to the most modern and approved methods.

By the united efforts of our consecrated pastors, earnest superintendents, aided by the "faithful few," much has been accomplished, but the ideal Sunday school of the future needs the strenuous efforts of the earnest Christian to help it secure still higher attainments.

Good work has been accomplished in our Christian Endeavor Societies in training young people for leaders in our churches, and we hope this valuable work will continue and that our Christian Endeavor Societies and Sunday schools will have the proper leadership for this great task.

We recommend:

That our Sunday school teachers and officers and our Christian Endeavor leaders use every opportunity to improve their work for this task.

That each of our Sunday schools have a live and efficient Home Department and Cradle Roll.

That we always seek the guidance of God in His work.

ROY A. LARRICK,
ELLA PICKERING,
MRS. SAMUEL EARMAN,
Committee.

Adopted.

Motion passed that Rev. R. D. Coulter deliver the Annual Sermon next year.

By motion Jacob Shenk and John Mumaw of the Mennonite Church received to seats as deliberative members.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Ignorance is no means of grace to help us on to God; and neither is knowledge, for as the sage old man once said, "Knowledge is power, and power may be a bad thing as well as a good thing." Education is the mere cultural inheritance of the past, while of great value is not alone sufficient. There is a vast accumulation of factual knowledge in every area of thought and investigation, but whether it is making the world better and happier is challenged by many realistic observers. Our knowledge is fast outrunning our spiritual understanding, sympathy and passion. The utter and tragic failure of mere human knowledge and devices to give us even decent material well-being is a devastating witness against the sufficiency of knowledge alone as the solvent of life's distressing and confusing problems.

The world demands creative knowledge, knowledge vitalized by spiritual understanding, sympathy and power; knowledge energized by a vision of God and the final and eternal values of life. And unless we can get this kind of knowledge across to men, the world is in for a sorry time.

Your Committee recommends:

1. Sympathetic cooperation in the educational program of the local community, and of the local church.

2. The fullest cooperation with Elon College with all its plans for the enlargement of its service to the Church.

M. L. WEEKLEY,
R. L. WILLIAMSON,
W. J. ANDES,
R. A. WHITTEN,
Committee.

Miss Thelma Morris spoke in behalf of Elon College.

Mr. Woodrow Wampler, the hymn director of the Conference, sang a solo, "The Lord's Prayer."

Rev. F. C. Lester spoke in behalf of the Board of Christian Education.

The report of the Committee on Education was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, submit the following nominations for the several offices:

President—R. A. Larrick, Winchester, Va.; Vice-President—Rev. R. A. Whitten, Winchester, Va.; Secretary—Rev. W. J. Andes, Harrisonburg, Va.; Assistant Secretary—Norman Morris, Dyke, Va.; Treasurer—Samuel Earman, Harrisonburg, Va.; Director of Religious Education—A. A. Dofflemyer, Elkton, Va.; Assistants to the Director—Miss Elsie Matthews, Winchester, Va. and Norman Morris, Dyke, Va.; Conference Mission Secretary—R. O. Rothgeb, Luray, Va.; Stewardship Secretary—Miss Minnie Dofflemyer, Elkton, Va.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. BRADFORD,
R. C. MYERS,
J. W. STEARN,
J. A. KAGEY,
R. O. ROTHGEB,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee, having been encouraged by the stirring messages, splendid reports and great examples of our progress in this our Centennial Conference, wish to submit the following:

Resolved: That it is our earnest desire to take back to our several churches the light of a great zeal to carry on the work as recommended here.

Resolved: That we thank all who contributed their efforts to make this program that we have enjoyed in these two days one of inspiration and fellowship.

Resolved: That the Conference send a special greeting to Dr. J. O. Atkinson to express our appreciation for his thoughts of this Conference and the wonderful messages he has written from his bed of affliction.

Resolved: That we express our appreciation to our retiring president and pledge our loyal support to our new one.

Resolved: That we take a rising vote of thanks for the cordial invitations, kindness and hospitality of our host church, which we have so thoroughly enjoyed.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. M. MCCOY,
THELMA MORRIS,
MRS. R. C. MYERS,

Committee.

Adopted.

On motion the Conference stood in recognition of the efficient service rendered by the retiring President, R. L. Williamson.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

HOME MISSIONS.

Cash on Hand	\$ 490.06
Conference Collections	304.78
Conference Missionary Association	90.00
Total amount received	\$ 884.84
Paid W. J. Andes	\$ 11.25
Paid R. D. Coulter	157.50
Paid R. L. Williamson	180.00
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	348.75
Balance on Hand	\$ 535.09

CHURCH EXTENSION.	
Cash on Hand	\$ 36.88
CONFERENCE FUND.	
Cash on Hand	\$ 321.89
Received on ANNUALS	17.50
Conference Collections	152.39
Total received	\$ 491.78
Paid Central Publishing Co. for ANNUALS	\$ 60.00
Paid W. J. Andes, Secretary	20.00
Paid Samuel Earman, Treasurer	15.00
Paid Burke and Price	5.00
Paid F. E. Hyde	5.00
Paid R. L. Williamson for Programs	1.00
	<hr/> 106.00
Balance on Hand	\$ 385.78
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION FUND.	
Cash on Hand	\$ 374.08
Conference Collections	389.46
Total amount received	\$ 763.54
Paid W. C. Wicker, Treasurer	\$ 224.45
Paid L. E. Smith, Elon College	149.63
	<hr/> 374.08
Balance on Hand	\$ 389.46

Report adopted.

Motion made and passed that \$20.00 be paid to the Secretary for his services and \$15.00 to the Treasurer for his services.

By motion the number of ANNUALS to be bought be left in the power of the Executive-Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE.

We, your Committee, recommend that we accept the invitation of the Newport Church and thank Concord for their invitation.

O. W. ANDES,
W. M. NIESWANDER,
MRS. V. T. HUFFMAN,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GROUPING OF CHURCHES.

From the Central Committee of five appointed at last year's Conference came four suggested plans for the grouping of churches. From these four plans the following one was adopted:

Group One—Antioch, New Hope, Beulah, and Linville.

Group Two—Bethlehem, Concord, Mayland, Whistler's Chapel, Wood's Chapel, and Palmyra.

Group Three—Bethel, Mt. Olivet (R), Mt. Olivet (G), Island Ford, and St. Peter's.

Group Four—Leakesville, Newport, Dry Run, Joppa, and Mt. Lebanon.

Winchester and Timber Ridge were to retain their present grouping.

A motion carried that the above suggested plan be reported to each local church for its approval or disapproval.

R. O. ROTHGEB, *Chairman.*

Adopted.

Standing Committees were appointed as follows:

- Executive*—R. A. Larrick, R. A. Whitten, W. J. Andes, J. C. Bradford, R. R. Hosaflook, R. D. Coulter, and R. O. Rothgeb.
- Education*—M. L. Weekley, R. A. Whitten, R. L. Williamson, R. D. Coulter, and W. J. Andes.
- Home Missions*—W. C. Wampler, J. M. Lohr, R. C. Myers, E. M. Spitzer, and E. A. Hillyard.
- Foreign Missions*—Thelma Morris, Mrs. Fred L. Oates, B. F. McDaniel, and Clarence Rush.
- Evangelism*—R. A. Whitten, E. F. Showalter, Walter Staten and Mabel Higgs.
- Religious Literature*—Irene Hensley, Mrs. Edgar Nelson, W. M. Nieswander, and Eugenia Snow.
- Christian Union*—J. Warner Stearn, Elphis Morris, and T. Z. Alger.
- Sunday School and Christian Endeavor*—Clarence Phillips, Ella Pickering, Mrs. E. Lena Rothgeb, Mrs. Samuel Earman and Maggie Alger.
- Woman's Board*—Mrs. K. H. Sale, Mrs. A. W. Andes, Mrs. Fannie May Layman, Mrs. Myrle Eaton, Miss Mamie Summers, and Mrs. J. E. Bryant.
- Social Service*—Norman Morris, Minnie Dofflemyer, Anna Lou Showalter, Mrs. W. H. Alger and Dora Life.
- Apportionment*—W. J. Andes, R. A. Whitten, R. D. Coulter, Mrs. R. A. Larrick, and R. C. Myers.

The following churches were enrolled as Banner Churches on the basis for such enrollment as found on page 25 of the 1937 ANNUAL:

Antioch, 100 per cent; Bethel, 60 per cent; Bethlehem, 65 per cent; Leaks-ville, 60 per cent; Linville, 60 per cent; Mt. Olivet (R), 65 per cent; Mt. Olivet (G), 60 per cent; New Hope, 60 per cent; Newport, 65 per cent; Palmyra, 65 per cent; Whistler's Chapel, 65 per cent; Winchester, 100 per cent.

Address: "Our Program of Worship"—Rev. R. L. House.

Motion made and carried that we adjourn to meet Wednesday and Thursday before the second Sunday in August, 1939.

Benediction by Rev. R. L. House.

R. L. WILLIAMSON, *President*,
Charlottesville, Va.
W. J. ANDES, *Secretary*,
Harrisonburg, Va.

Minutes of Mid-Year Session of the Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference.

BETHLEHEM CHRISTIAN CHURCH, MARCH 24, 1938.

THEME: "Service."

MORNING SESSION.

The Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference met in the Mid-Year Session, and was called to order at 10 A. M. by President R. L. Williamson.

Devotional Services were conducted by Rev. M. L. Weekley. The Quartette of ladies from Bethel rendered the special music.

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—R. L. Williamson, M. L. Weekley, R. D. Coulter, R. A. Whitten, W. J. Andes.

Chairmen of Standing Committees—R. L. Williamson, M. L. Weekley, W. C. Wampler, R. A. Whitten, Irene Hensley, R. A. Larrick, W. B. Burke.

Conference Officers—R. L. Williamson, R. A. Whitten, W. J. Andes, Alfred Dofflemyer, R. O. Rothgeb, Minnie Dofflemyer.

— Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—Mrs. M. J. Deane, Helen Showalter.

Bethel—Mrs. C. M. McCoy, Goldie Dofflemyer, Mrs. N. O. Monger.

Bethlehem—Ella Pickering, Robert Sellers.

Beulah—Not represented.

Christian Chapel—Not represented.

Concord—Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Huffman.

Dry Run—W. B. Burke, A. C. Boyce.

East Liberty—Not represented.

High Point—Not represented.

Island Ford—John Gooden.

Joppa—Clyde Miller.

Leakesville—Mrs. E. Lena Rothgeb, Mrs. R. O. Rothgeb.

Linville—Mrs. Samuel Earman.

Mayland—J. M. Lohr.

Mt. Lebanon—Not represented.

Mt. Olivet (G)—Bluie Shifflett, Eugenia Snow, Clarice Morris, Mrs. Robert Marshall.

Mt. Olivet (R)—Ruth Strickler, Cammie Lilly.

New Hope—Mrs. Earnest Spitzer.

Newport—Mr. and Mrs. T. Z. Alger.

Palmyra—Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Clem.

St. Peter's—Mrs. L. W. Synder, Mrs. S. A. Jenkins.

Timber Mountain—Not represented.

Timber Ridge—Not represented.

Whistler's Chapel—A. N. Green, Laline Hines.

Winchester—Mrs. Ada Whitlock, Mrs. Edgar Nelson, Mrs. Harry Racey, Mrs. K. H. Sale.

Wood's Chapel—Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kagey.

Motion carried that the program be adopted as outlined by the President and that the President be empowered to make any changes necessary during the session of the Mid-Year Conference.

The welcome address was given by Miss Ella Pickering.

Miss Helen Showalter of Antioch gave the response.

Mr. W. B. Burke addressed the Conference: "Service, Proof of Discipleship."

Appointment of Press Committee: Mrs. B. F. Frank, Mrs. Ada Whitlock, Miss Eugenia Snow, Rev. R. D. Coulter, Mr. R. O. Rothgeb.

Mrs. R. C. Myers address the Conference: "Service of the Church to the Community."

Adjournment for lunch.

Rev. R. D. Coulter pronounced the benediction.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 2 o'clock by the President.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. R. A. Whitten.

Mrs. B. F. Frank, chairman of the Centennial Committee of the Conference, addressed the Conference on "A Century of Service."

Motion carried that a list of ministers serving the Conference during the one hundred years of organization be compiled and published in *The Christian Sun* before the Annual Conference in August.

Motion carried that the Conference accept the invitation from Antioch to hold the annual session of Conference there.

Motion carried that a committee of five—three ministers, one layman, one laywoman—be elected to memorialize the 100th Anniversary of the Virginia Valley Central Conference by a study and a revision of our present system of Conference apportionments and to recommend the distribution of that fund in conformity with the asking of the Southern Convention. Those elected were: W. J. Andes, chairman, R. A. Whitten, R. D. Coulter, R. C. Myers and Mrs. R. A. Larrick.

Mr. R. O. Rothgeb addressed the Conference: "Service to the Church and Conference."

Special music was rendered by the choir from Whistler's Chapel.

Address: "Rewards of Service"—(1) "Souls Saved," Mrs. C. M. McCoy; (2) "Master's Well Done," Irene Hensley.

The Committee on grouping the churches suggested the following plan:

Group One—Antioch, Linville, New Hope, Beulah.

Group Two—Bethlehem, Mt. Olivet (G), Mt. Olivet (R), Island Ford, St. Peter's, Mt. Lebanon.

Group Three—Leakesville, Newport, Joppa, Dry Run, Palmyra.

Group Four—Wood's Chapel, Whistler's Chapel, Bethlehem, Concord, Mayland.

Group Five—Winchester, Timber Ridge, Timber Mountain.

Group 5 sent letter to Conference desiring to retain their present pastorate which was granted in the suggestion of the committee.

Motion carried that the suggested plan of the Grouping Committee be reported to each local church for its approval or disapproval. The committee of one from each church was given this task.

A rising vote of thanks was extended to the Bethlehem Church for their kind hospitality to the Conference.

Motion carried to adjourn.

Rev. W. J. Andes pronounced the benediction.

R. L. WILLIAMSON, *President*.

W. J. ANDES, *Secretary*.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

F. E. Allison—Sermons, 48; conversions, 6; members received, 6; marriages, none; addresses, 2; baptisms, none; pastoral visits, 50; funerals, none; salary received, \$50.00.

W. J. Andes—Churches: Bethel, Leakesville, Newport, Antioch, Mt. Olivet (G); sermons, 155; conversions, 23; members received, 23; marriages, 6; addresses, 10; baptisms, 11; pastoral visits, 727; funerals, 22; salary, \$1,225.64.

W. E. Brill—No charge.

William Clem—No report.

R. D. Coulter—Churches: Joppa, Dry Run, Palmyra, Mt. Olivet (R), Beulah, St. Peter's and Alphine Mission since October, 1936; sermons, 197; conversions, 19; members received, 38; marriages, 2; addresses, 16; baptisms, 18; pastoral visits, 467; funerals, 8; salary, \$724.00 (plus appropriation from Southern Mission Board).

W. B. Fuller—No charge.

M. L. Weekley—Sermons, 123; conversions, 6; members received, 8; marriages, 2; addresses, 8; baptisms, 6; funerals, 5; salary, \$760.00.

R. A. Whitten—Churches: Timber Ridge, and Winchester; sermons, 132; conversions, 21; members received, 24; marriages, 14; addresses, 8; baptisms, 15 and christened 3; pastoral visits, many; funerals, 5; salary, \$1,200.00.

R. L. Williamson—Churches: Whistler's Chapel, Wood's Chapel, Mayland, Mt. Lebanon, Island Ford; Sermons, 94; conversions, 8; members received, 11; baptisms, 4; pastoral visits, 275; funerals, 6; salary, \$640.00.

CHURCH STATISTICS—VIRGINIA VALLEY CENTRAL CONFERENCE

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	SECRETARIES AND ADDRESSES.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.	Conference Apportionments.	Amount Paid on Apportionments.	Home and Foreign Missions.	Amount Raised for Orphanage.	All Other Benevolences.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Total, Including Items not Otherwise Listed.	Value of Church Property.
*†Antioch.....	W. J. Andes.....	E. A. Showalter, Harrisonburg, Va.....	99	106	\$ 80.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 26.46	\$ 80.00	\$ 71.50	\$ 300.00	\$ 951.40	\$ 3,000
*†Bethel.....	W. J. Andes.....	Nannie Monger, Elkton, Va.....	157	166	40.00	32.75	6.00			202.14	548.95	6,500
†Bethlehem.....	M. L. Weekley.....	Ella Pickering, Broadway, Va.....	98	96	80.00	19.55	20.42	15.67	29.00	180.00	609.73	2,000
Beulah.....	R. D. Coulter.....	Mrs. J. M. Tibbens, Keezletown, Va.....	26	25	15.00	15.00		12.25	18.00	50.00	95.25	2,800
*†Concord.....	R. D. Coulter.....	Mrs. R. L. Smith, Fimberville, Va.....	93	94	30.00	26.50	2.00			65.00	108.60	1,200
*†Dry Run.....	R. D. Coulter.....	W. B. Burke, Seven Fountains, Va.....	95	93	40.00	37.20				125.00	282.84	5,000
Island Ford.....	R. L. Williamson.....	Mrs. Charles Marshall, Elkton, Va.....	24	28	6.00	6.00	2.00			10.93	16.93	900
Joppa.....	R. D. Coulter.....	Louise Bowman, Edinburg, Va.....	35	39	15.00	15.00				52.74	87.11	700
*†Leaksville.....	W. J. Andes.....	R. O. Rothgeb, Luray, Va.....	174	171	125.00	96.95			37.77	292.37	1,398.13	6,000
*†Linville.....	M. L. Weekley.....	Sallie A. Payne, Harrisonburg, Va.....	175	195	110.00	60.30	90.00	95.58	23.40	460.00	755.36	4,800
Mayland.....	R. L. Williamson.....	Charlotte Hilliard, Broadway, Va.....	112	102	70.00	70.00				180.00	389.80	2,000
Mt. Lebanon.....	R. L. Williamson.....	Mrs. Allene Kite, Shenandoah, Va.....	106	104	25.00	25.00				67.19	102.54	1,100
†Mt. Olivet (R.).....	R. D. Coulter.....	Ethel Lam, Elkton, Va.....	112	117	25.00	20.00	9.00	13.00		125.00	143.30	3,000
†Mt. Olivet (G.).....	W. J. Andes.....	Thelma Morris, Dyke, Va.....	172	96	70.00	70.00	17.35	14.30	13.69	179.93	713.64	2,000
*†New Hope.....	M. L. Weekley.....	H. E. Liskey, Harrisonburg, Va.....	45	40	30.00	30.00		22.00	14.00	120.00	277.75	3,867
*†Newport.....	W. J. Andes.....	C. W. Louderbach, Shenandoah, Va.....	166	157	75.00	46.45		43.75	10.00	275.07	631.94	2,800
*†Palmyra.....	R. D. Coulter.....	Mrs. Shirley Oliphant, Edinburg, Va.....	88	91	20.00	20.00	22.54	10.96		75.00	432.04	1,200
St. Peter's.....	R. D. Coulter.....	Mrs. W. A. Hensley, Elkton, Va.....	65	65	15.00	5.35				50.00	55.35	1,200
†Timber Ridge.....	R. A. Whitten.....	W. E. Brill, Hooks Mill, W. Va.....	227	236	80.00	62.00	15.00	10.00	44.00	480.00	891.00	6,000
†Whistler's Chapel.....	R. L. Williamson.....	Edna L. Ettle, Mt. Jackson, Va.....	69	74	25.00					100.00	200.00	1,500
*†Winchester.....	R. A. Whitten.....	R. A. Larrick, Winchester, Va.....	214	230	100.00	100.00				720.00	1,450.04	45,000
Woods Chapel.....	R. L. Williamson.....	Ray Stroop, New Market, Va.....	124	127	25.00	8.58				112.00	132.58	525
Totals.....			2476	2422	\$121.00	\$ 846.63	\$ 210.77	\$ 317.57	\$ 261.36	\$4232.37	\$10,306.28	\$100,692

*Church has Missionary Society.

†Church has C. E. Society.

‡Church has Parsonage.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—VIRGINIA VALLEY CENTRAL CONFERENCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SUPERINTENDENT.	No. Officers and Teachers.	No. Pupils in School.	No. on Cradle Roll.	No. in Home Department.	Total Enrollment.	Total Raised During Year.
Antioch.....	E. A. Showalter, Harrisonburg, Va.	8	66	4	3	78	\$ 245.00
Bethel.....	Miss Hazel Davis, Elkton, Va.	13	158	..	..	161	134.22
Bethlehem.....	Clarence Phillips, Cootes Store, Va.	15	77	9	5	96	105.49
Beulah.....	Mrs. S. A. Jenkins, Penn Laird, Va.	6	20	..	20	40	..
Concord.....	Frank Derrow, Timberville, Va.	8	77	8	..	83	39.97
Dry Run.....	W. B. Burke, Seven Fountains, Va.	8	36	9	..	36	75.64
Island Ford.....	B. H. Samuels, Harrisonburg, Va.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Joppa.....	W. F. Rinker, Edinburg, Va.	3	22	..	..	25	17.37
Leaksville.....	R. O. Rothgeb, Luray, Va.	12	84	20	7	120	124.21
Lynville.....	R. R. Hossaford, Linville, Va.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mayland.....	E. A. Hillyard, Broadway, Va.	8	44	..	..	50	111.40
Mt. Lebanon.....	I. N. Comer, Shenandoah, Va.	5	51	24	..	54	10.35
Mt. Olivet (R.).....	B. C. Shifflet, Elkton, Va.	11	108	15	7	143	167.03
Mt. Olivet (G.).....	N. W. Morris, Dyke, Va.	17	80	15	..	112	188.55
New Hope.....	H. E. Liskey, Harrisonburg, Va.	7	37	10	..	55	72.50
Newport.....	Leonard Higgs, Shenandoah, Va.	12	..	..	11	129	129.01
Palmyra.....	C. W. Carper, Edinburg, Va.	10	60	8	..	70	50.21
Timber Ridge.....	V. C. Whitacre, High View, W. Va.	14	70	18	8	110	150.00
Whistler's Chapel.....	Miss Nina Green, Mt. Jackson, Va.	9	..	..	..	45	36.00
Winchester.....	J. A. Spaid, Winchester, Va.	27	120	11	6	164	282.31
Woods' Chapel.....	J. N. Shifflett, New Market, Va.	7	..	..	..	30	9.00
Totals.....	.....	210	1,100	136	67	1,601	\$2,948.26

Proceedings of the One Hundred Eighteenth Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

SUFFOLK CHRISTIAN CHURCH, SUFFOLK, VA.,
NOVEMBER 2-4, 1938.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference met in 118th Annual Session, Wednesday, November 2, 1938, and was called to order by Rev. Robert Lee House, President, at 10:00 A. M. Song service conducted by Rev. Jesse H. Dollar. Prayer led by Rev. George Olejar.

The roll was called. The following ministers and delegates were enrolled for the session:

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—Revs. Elwood W. Jones, Carl R. Key, T. N. Lowe, F. C. Lester, Joseph E. McCauley, J. F. Morgan, George Olejar, G. A. Pearce, Marna S. Poulson, Arnold Slater, John G. Truitt, B. H. Watkins, T. Fred Wright, Joe A. French, Jesse H. Dollar, R. E. Brittle, O. D. Poythress, J. S. Johnston, H. E. Crutchfield, Robert Lee House, J. H. Warren, H. S. Hardcastle, L. E. Smith, J. M. Roberts, N. G. Newman, L. L. Lassiter. *Licentiates*—S. W. Phillips, Emmanuel Hedgebeth, Herbert G. Council, Jr.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—Mrs. W. E. Garrison, Miss Winnifred Clements.

Barrett's—W. H. Pond, Mrs. Virginia Hancock.

Berea (Nansemond)—J. C. Matthews, Mrs. J. C. Matthews, Mrs. R. A. Savage.

Berea (Norfolk)—C. E. Hanbury, Mrs. C. E. Hanbury, C. A. Hicks, R. A. Savage.

Bethlehem (Disputanta)—Mrs. Elsie Bresho, Miss Betty Olejar, Miss Essie Johnson.

Bethlehem—T. H. Dilday, A. C. Hingerty, C. F. Savage, Mrs. C. W. King, Mrs. T. E. Savage.

Burton's Grove—J. W. Pittman, E. W. Carroll.

Centerville—

Christian Temple—J. S. Felton, Dr. A. H. Perkins, Dr. J. W. Manning, Mrs. A. B. Jarvis.

Cypress Chapel—Mrs. G. C. Mann, Mrs. Roy Brinkley, Mrs. W. L. Harris.

Damascus—Mrs. L. E. McCoy, Miss Blanche Pierce.

Dendron—Mrs. E. T. Atkinson, W. S. Barrett.

Elm Avenue—S. G. Knich, T. M. Kelly.

Eure—Elijah Harrell, T. A. Eure, Mrs. Rosa Harrell.

First, Norfolk—Mrs. B. F. Morgan, J. S. Kagey, Mrs. A. F. Dozier.

First Portsmouth—O. C. Hartung, Mrs. E. C. Cross, W. S. Hanbury.

First, Richmond—Mrs. Annie Brown, Mrs. G. B. Ganzert, J. T. Kernodle.

Franklin—J. A. Williams, J. L. Eley, Mrs. J. A. Williams.

Holy Neck—Miss Lillye Holland, H. V. Holland, E. T. Holland.

Holland—E. L. Daughtrey, A. L. Jolly, Mrs. J. R. Darden.

Hopewell—

Isle of Wight—

Ivor—Mrs. E. T. Lane.

Johnson's Grove—G. B. Vick, N. H. Doyle.

Liberty Spring—I. T. Byrd, Harrell Byrd, E. B. Rawles, N. W. Byrd.

Mt. Carmel—J. W. Beale, R. T. Bowden, O. V. Joyner, Mrs. W. T. Cox, Mrs. J. Cox.

Mt. Zion—Mrs. J. L. Gray.

New Lebanon—T. W. Savedge.

Newport News—Mrs. F. W. Vaughan, Mrs. R. E. Pulley, Mrs. W. B. Williams, C. D. West, R. L. Smith.

Ocean View—Mrs. B. G. Harris, Mrs. Joe Harris.

Oakland—Miss Mildred Godwin, Mrs. C. W. Darden, Miss Elsie Darden, W. K. Wagner.

Oak Grove—Thurman Jones, Miss Louise Small.

Old Zion—R. F. Allgood, A. L. Jackson, M. E. Carmine.

Rosemont—Mrs. H. C. Hedley, Mrs. A. E. Richardson, Mrs. D. D. Johnston.

Shelton Portsmouth—Mrs. Lyda V. S. Fleming, Mrs. W. J. Bidgood.

Suffolk—Col. E. E. Holland, Col. J. E. West, Mrs. W. H. Andrews, Mrs. Annie S. Calhoun, Mrs. W. V. Leathers.

Spring Hill—G. C. White.

South Norfolk—P. A. Gatling, A. L. Hanbury, Mrs. F. C. Robinson, Mrs. A. L. Hanbury.

Union (Southampton)—

Union (Surry)—

Wakefield—Mrs. B. H. Watkins, Miss Hincles.

Waverly—R. T. West.

Windsor—Mrs. F. C. Roberts, Mrs. J. M. Raby, J. W. Roberts.

Address of Welcome—by Col. J. E. West. Response—by Dr. J. W. Manning.

Dr. Stanley C. Harrell, President of the Southern Convention, was introduced to the Conference.

Mrs. B. F. Gibson, 85 years old, sent greetings to the Conference through Rev. J. F. Morgan.

The report of the Executive Committee was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

During the year the President represented the Executive Committee in a visit to the Sarem Christian Church, there holding a service and a business conference. The Secretary of the Conference sent out Report Blanks for the Conference. The President engaged in numerous correspondence in preparing the program which is submitted for your approval. Mr. W. H. Baker, the Assistant Secretary, assisted the President in sending a general letter to the ministers and officials of Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

R. L. HOUSE, *Chairman.*

The Assistant Secretary read a message from Dr. I. W. Johnson, Secretary, who was prevented from attending Conference on account of illness, submitting his resignation after serving as Secretary for 29 years. On motion the resignation was accepted, and a Committee was appointed to convey to him the appreciation of the Conference for his long years of service. He was elected Secretary Emeritus.

E. B. Rawles was appointed Collector of Conference.

The President appointed the following Special Committees:

Nominations—H. S. Hardcastle, H. E. Crutchfield, O. D. Poythress.

Press—John G. Truitt, F. C. Lester, J. S. Johnson, W. H. Baker.

Resolutions—R. E. Brittle, J. S. Johnson, E. L. Daughtrey, B. H. Watkins.

Finance—J. F. Morgan, S. W. Phillips, T. Fred Wright, I. T. Byrd.

Address by Rev. Robert Lee House, President. Topic: "The Vocabulary of a Present Day Christian."

The Report of the Committee on Christian Education was read by Rev. Joe A. French, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

Those responsible for the arrangement of the program acted wisely in making the report on Christian Education the first order of this Conference, not because we, of the Committee, are jealous or that we minimize the value and work of the other Conference Committees, but simply that we recognize the fact that everything that has to do with the work of the Kingdom and the progress of the church must of necessity be achieved by an educational process. Hence, it is evident that the total program of the church is undergirded by Christian Education. Christian Education is the effort of the church through its college, Leadership Training Schools, Pastor's Conferences, Conventions, Conferences, distribution of literature, and local church agencies, organizations, and activities to "lead growing persons into loyalty to God, development of Christ-like character, and larger understanding of and service to others through the fellowship of the church." Failure here cannot be amended by any amount of claptrap methods.

Christian Education is being fostered in many ways in our Conference and in a very effective way we believe. This is borne out in the work of the organizations and the work of our local churches. There is evidence of quickened interest in all activities in the field of Christian Education.

The young people in our Conference now do their work under the name of Pilgrim Fellowship which is also the name for the national work. The churches were well represented at the Pilgrim Fellowship meeting at Bethlehem Church, July 12. The reports, program and plans made at this meeting indicate that the young people are making a determined effort to reach and organize

the youth of the Conference. The work of the Christian Endeavor Societies has been, by action of both organizations, transferred from the Sunday School Convention to the Pilgrim Fellowship, and henceforth will report to and be affiliated with that body. We believe this a wise move because it groups all strictly young people's work together.

According to reports there are 20 Christian Endeavor Societies with a membership of 463. Pastors should see to it that their young people are always represented at all youth meetings even though there are not local organizations. The information and inspiration received from such meetings would lead, in many cases, to an active organization.

The Sunday School Convention at Waverly, July, 19, was one of the largest attended in several years. Thirty-three Sunday schools were represented and \$611.75 reported, most of which goes to our Board of Christian Education for work in the Southern Convention. The total enrollment of our Sunday schools is 6,976.

The pastors of the Conference report 11 Vacation Church Schools during the past year with an enrollment of 522.

We commend the Woman's Missionary Conference for the very effective work being done in the promotion of the use of the Mission Study Books. According to the very fine reports made at the Waverly Conference, October 7, there were 21 societies which studied both home and foreign books last year, and many Young People's and Junior Societies also studied the material provided for them. There are 30 Women's Societies, 25 Young People's Societies, 19 Junior Societies and 17 Cradle Rolls with a total membership of 2,211. The study of this material not only stimulates interest in the cause of missions but also contributes to the effectiveness of the local program of Christian Education.

We rejoice in the fact that Leadership Training Schools are within the reach of every church in the Conference even though we have not been able to get students from all the churches to attend the schools. Reports indicate that 19 churches sent students to the various schools, that 225 were enrolled in these schools and that 142 credits were issued. It is generally recognized that the greatest problem of the Sunday school is that of providing teachers. Perhaps the best way to solve this problem is to see that at least a few people are in a Leadership Training School every year.

We heartily endorse the action of the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches in providing a Promotional Secretary whose duty it is to promote the general cause of Christian Education. His work among us in arranging for Leadership Training Schools, Conferences, providing material and information, and counseling on general and specific problems of the church should make a large contribution to the progress of our church. We urge the cooperation of our churches and ministers in the program of the larger work of our church and the work of our Promotional Secretary.

In the selection of the material which your chairman sent to pastors, superintendents, officers of the Sunday School Convention and other workers, he had the cooperation and advice of Dr. E. L. Shaver, Director of Leadership Training for our General Council. In addition to the letters over 600 pieces of suggestive and helpful literature was sent to workers during the year.

Your Committee is in sympathy with the action of the Southern Convention in its adoption of the five-point program presented by Dr. L. E. Smith and we urge cooperation in the plan. In addition to this program we recommend that:

1. Each church in the Conference participate in the local Leadership Training School and in the Elon Summer School.
2. All churches without young people's organizations make an effort to provide adequate activities for the training of youth in the work of the church.
3. Sunday school superintendents provide for regular meetings of their teachers and officers for the purpose of making the school more efficient in its work.

4. Pastors make an effort to provide Vacation Church Schools and training for young church members.

5. Each pastor make it a point to attend the Elon Pastor's Conference.

JOE A. FRENCH,
B. H. WATKINS,
F. C. LESTER,

Committee.

The Conference was then addressed by Miss Mildred C. Widber, of Boston, Mass., on "Major Emphases in Children's Work."

The Communion Service was conducted by Rev. Arnold Slater, assisted by the deacons.

The Conference adjourned for lunch which was served by the ladies of the Suffolk Christian Church in the Fellowship Hall.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference met and was called to order at 2:20 o'clock. Song Service conducted by W. H. Baker. Prayer led by Rev. R. E. Brittle.

Report of Mr. W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer, was read and on motion referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1937 - 1938.

1937

CONVENTION FUND.

Nov. 3	Balance as per last report	\$ 2.59
Nov. 8	By Conference Collections	<u>1,482.00</u>

\$1,484.59

Nov. 30	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 6	<u>1,484.00</u>
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1938

Nov. 2	Balance as per Bank	\$.59
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1937

CONFERENCE FUND.

Nov. 3	Balance as per last report	\$ 18.36
Nov. 8	By Conference Collections	<u>320.50</u>

\$ 338.86

Nov. 27	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 5	\$ 56.00
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Nov. 27	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 4	18.65
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Dec. 20	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 13	6.25
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Jan. 20	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 15	5.00
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Mar. 17	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 16	<u>248.50</u>
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334.40

Nov. 2	Balance as per Bank	\$ 4.46
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HOME MISSION FUND.

Nov. 8	Balance as per last report	\$ 71.64
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Nov. 8	By Conference Collections	<u>1,009.00</u>
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1937

Dec. 7	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 1	\$ 700.00
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Dec. 22	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 14	<u>300.00</u>
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Nov. 2	Balance as per Bank	\$ 80.64
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1937

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

Nov. 7	Balance as per last report	\$ 1.28
Nov. 8	By Conference Collections	420.84
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Nov. 30	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 8	\$ 422.12
1938		422.00
Nov. 2	Balance as per Bank	<hr/>
		\$.12

1937

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FUND.

Nov. 3	Balance as per last report	\$.38
Nov. 8	By Conference Collections	236.25
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Nov. 30	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 12	\$ 236.63
1938		236.00
Nov. 2	Balance as per Bank	<hr/>
		\$.63

1937

CONVENTION MISSION FUND.

Nov. 3	Balance as per last report	\$ 1.40
Nov. 6	By Part of Conference Collections	82.00
Nov. 30	By Part of Conference Collections	405.47
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		\$ 488.87

1937

Nov. 30	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 7	488.00
1938		<hr/>
Nov. 2	Balance as per Bank	\$.87

1937

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

Nov. 3	Balance as per last report	\$.12
Nov. 8	By Conference Collections	310.88
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		\$ 311.00
Nov. 30	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 1	311.00
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	No Balance00

1937

ELON COLLEGE FUND.

Nov. 3	Balance as per last report	\$.67
Nov. 8	By Conference Collections	1,433.47
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Nov. 30	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 9	\$1,434.14
1938		1,434.00
Nov. 2	Balance as per Bank	<hr/>
		\$.14

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SPECIAL ACCOUNT.

Nov. 3	Balance as per last report	\$1,500.00
1938		
Jan. 31	By Check, Suffolk Christian Church	375.00
May 18	By Check, Suffolk Christian Church	375.00
July 29	By Check, Christian Temple Missions	50.00
Oct. 5	By Check, Suffolk Christian Church	375.00
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		\$2,675.00

1937				
Nov. 3	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 20	\$1,500.00		
1938				
Aug. 11	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 17	50.00		1,550.00
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Nov. 2	Balance as per Bank			\$1,125.00
1937				
	ORPHANAGE FUND.			
Nov. 8	By Conference Collections	\$ 333.67		
Nov. 30	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 10	333.00		
1938				<hr/>
Nov. 2	Balance as per Bank	\$.67		
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	EDUCATIONAL FUND.			
1937			Active Account	\$2,363.36
Nov. 3	Balance as per last report		Savings Account	670.29
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				\$3,033.65
Nov. 22	Cash, T. Fred Wright on Loan—Principle	\$ 25.00		
	Interest	10.00		
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				35.00
Dec. 31	Interest on Savings Account			8.37
1938				
Jan. 18	S. W. Phillip's Check on Elm Ave. Parsonage	\$ 100.00		
	J. Howard Smith, Check on Loan	10.00		
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				110.00
Feb. 25	J. Howard Smith, Check on Loan			5.00
Apr. 11	J. Howard Smith, Check on Loan			5.00
May 21	Mission Board's Check on Hopewell Church Loan			500.00
May 25	Mission Board's Check on Hopewell Church Loan			176.10
June 30	Interest on Savings Account			8.47
Aug. 4	Mission Board's Check on Hopewell Loan			405.00
Aug. 30	S. W. Phillip's Check on Elm Ave, Parsonage Loan			100.00
Sept. 14	J. Howard Smith, Check on Loan			5.00
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				\$4,391.59
1937				
Dec. 1	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 3	\$ 150.00		
Dec. 23	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 2	100.00		
1938				<hr/>
Nov. 2	Balance as per Bank			\$4,141.59
	Active Account	\$3,454.46		
	Savings Account	687.13		
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				\$4,141.59

SCHEDULE OF BONDS AND BILLS RECEIVABLE.

Charles Wesley Rountree's Agreement	\$ 175.00
Fred Wright's Note	475.00
J. Howard Smith's two Notes of \$200.00 each	400.00
A. L. Granger, two Notes, \$150.00 each; two Notes \$200.00 each	700.00
Aubrey C. Todd, two Notes, \$150.00 each; two Notes, \$100.00 each	500.00
Emanuel Hedgepeth, two notes, \$150.00 each	300.00
Herbert Council, two notes, \$100.00 each	200.00
Bond of Mission Board of Southern Christian Convention, Incorporated, secured by Deed of Trust on the Elm Avenue Christian Church, Portsmouth, Va., October 31, 1938	1,526.08
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Total	\$4,276.08

RECAPITULATION.

	Balance	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance
Convention Fund	\$ 2.59	\$1,482.00	\$1,484.00	\$.59
Conference Fund	18.36	320.50	334.40	4.46
Home Mission Fund	71.64	1,009.00	1,000.00	80.64
Foreign Mission Fund	1.28	420.84	422 00	.12
Christian Education .....	.38	236.25	236.00	.63
Convention Mission Fund	1.40	487.47	488.00	.87
Superannuated Fund .....	.12	310.88	311.00	.00
Elon College Fund .....	.67	1,433.47	1,434.00	.14
Special Account	1,500.00	1,175.00	1,550.00	1,125.00
Orphanage Fund .....	.00	333.67	333.00	.67
Educational Fund	3,033.65	1,357.94	250.00	4,141.59
Totals	\$4,630.09	\$8,567.02	\$7,842.40	\$5,354.71

PROOF.

Balances as per last report	\$ 4,630.09
Total Receipts for year	8,567.02
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	\$13,197.11
Total Disbursements for year	7,842.40
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Balance on Hand in Bank	\$ 5,354.71

The Bank Statements and Vouchers are with this report, and the above listed securities are kept in the vault of the Farmer's Bank of Nansemond, subject to the order of the Conference. The bond of the Treasurer is still in force.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. E. MACCLENNY,
Treasurer.

At the request of Mr. W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, I beg to certify that he has on deposit in the Farmers Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Va., the balances as shown by the statements of the Bank, and as shown by his statements.

Signed in triplicate this the 2nd day of November, 1938.

E. E. HOLLAND, *President.*

NOTE: Mr. Charles Wesley Rountree has paid on his agreement since the above report was made up \$25.00, bringing it down to \$150.00. Rev. J. Howard Smith has paid \$25.00 during the year, which amount has been credited to interest.

Report of Committee on Temperance was read by Dr. Elwood W. Jones.

Address by Dr. M. S. Poulson on "The Church and the Liquor Traffic."

Address by Rev. Carl R. Key: "The Magnificent Obsession."

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE AND MORAL REFORM.

"Am I my brother's keeper?" was a question asked by Cain concerning his brother, Abel, in the long ago. The circumstances revolving around this question indicate Cain's effort to escape responsibility for his brother's fate rather than a sincere desire for an answer.

Abel had already suffered death as his brother's hands, and Cain thus became the first in a long line of successors who would deal as they like with their fellows, and go unconcerned on their way. Selfishness has ever been

man's worst sin, and its outcroppings are visible on all sides. "Man's inhumanity to man makes countless thousands mourn."

We have recently been witnesses of a large part of our world on the brink of a savage and ruthless war. Mighty armies threatened to take by force what was desired unless it was surrendered to them. Aggressor nations secured by threat what they sought and were momentarily appeased. But armed might marches up and down the earth with ever heavier tread. We behold a world standing more and more in need of bread, and being given only a stone. The more poverty stricken nations become the more they burden themselves with preparations for war. Our own nation is fast falling in step with a world which makes war preparation its chief concern. The very existence of the Kingdom of God, along with all that man has laboriously built up through many centuries, is seriously threatened. The stark ruthless paganism of national violence bluntly challenges the teachings of Jesus Christ.

While nations threaten one another with armed might, there is only a semblance of peace within their borders. Class is arrayed against class, and in the midst of God-given abundance, the struggle for bread becomes ever fiercer and more ruthless. We behold the Jews, the people from whom Jesus came in the flesh, suffering untold hardships in many lands, driven from one country to another, truly men without anywhere to lay their heads. Even Palestine, the land hallowed by Jesus' footsteps, is fast becoming a no-man's land of religious hatred and bloodshed. How God must weep while man is thus arrayed against man!

In other days where the Church of Christ has been challenged, and all that is good in the world has been threatened with destruction, God has raised up men who would do His will regardless of the circumstances to themselves. God is still in His world, and we who name His name in faith can still establish oases of peace and good will where we dwell. We must condemn violence both between and within nations; we must hold up the torch of love and kindness against the darkness of hatred about us.

And what shall we say regarding the traffic in intoxicants among us? In a day when strong bodies, alert minds, and divinely sensitive spirits are so sorely needed to deal with the challenging problems of today, both personal and social, a tidal wave of intoxicants sweeps over our land. Propaganda of the most subtle type is being used to prepare the way for ever increasing consumption of strong drink. On the wall of a certain liquor store hangs a gilded document in a somber frame. Like a God-bless-our-home motto of the nineties is a statement called "A Declaration of Moderation." We quote it in part:

"To promote temperance among those who enjoy the use of wine and liquor, this store cordially urges consideration of the home as the most desirable place to drink. We ask our patrons to try this plan because we believe that the sanctity of the home and family will act constantly to foster intelligent drinking."

No wonder an article dealing with this problem recently appeared in a religious journal under the caption, "Home is Where the Quart Is." The Bible tells us that the children of this world are wiser than the children of light. Never was there a day when Christian people had greater need to be "wise as serpents and harmless as doves." Drinking intoxicants is being represented as wholesome and helpful to one's fellow man. We as Christian people ought to be increasingly watchful against the spread of liquor propaganda among us. The church should redouble its efforts to teach temperance and sobriety. Let us not hesitate to speak out against the liquor business, speaking fearlessly but wisely, and always in the spirit of Jesus. The time has come to seek an ever decreasing area of licensed beverages. A suffering people will be responsive to consecrated leadership against intoxicants. Initial efforts should be put forth to restrict and eventually banish the legal sale of wine, beer, and other intoxicants. Good citizens look to the church for leadership in such efforts. Recently success has attended efforts to banish the Sunday sale of wine and beer in some portions of our conference area. What has been done in a few places can and

should be done all over our territory. Let us pledge ourselves as Christian people to do all we can to protect not only our own homes but the homes of our neighbors against intoxicants. No home is safe against the drink evil. Our Lord would have us put on our strength.

We need to array ourselves as Christian people against gambling of every sort and kind, urging our people to be on their guard against the very appearance of the gambling evil. We should keep all games of chance out of our church money raising plans, and use our influence by word and example against the gambling habit which is gaining such a foot-hold in our land.

We place ourselves on the side of Sabbath observance, emphasizing a sacred and sensible use of the holy day in the spirit of Jesus who said: "The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath." Our civilization needs the Christian Sabbath, and we who profess faith in Christ should set the pace in preservation of God's holy day by attending divine worship on that day, and performing deeds of Christian love.

In this report we are able to deal at any length with only a few of the many things which should be considered by all followers of Jesus. What should be our attitude toward every problem which arises in this perplexing day. It is helpful to realize that the teachings of Jesus are timeless. Earnest and zealous application of His teachings will enable us to live worthily of Him who has called us to be His followers. There is just one Gospel of Jesus Christ. It, and it alone, can solve the problems of a weary race. The Church of Christ has the remedy for life's ills. Let us apply that remedy in ourselves; let us offer it lovingly to all our fellows. "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father who is in heaven."

ELWOOD W. JONES,

O. D. POYTHRESS,

Committee.

The Report of the Committee on Education was read by Dr. N. G. Newman. Pending the adoption of this report Dr. L. E. Smith delivered an address on "Elon College"; Col. E. E. Holland paid a beautiful tribute to the life of the late Dr. J. E. Rawls; Mrs. Russell T. Bradford also spoke concerning Elon College.

The Report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

We, your Committee on Education, beg leave to submit the following Report:

LICENTIATES.

The following persons are on the roll as licentiates: Revs. D. D. Nash, S. W. Phillips, A. L. Granger, Jr., Aubrey C. Todd, Herbert G. Council, Jr., and L. E. Huber.

Revs. Herbert G. Council, Jr., and A. L. Granger, Jr., are pursuing their theological courses in Yale Divinity School and expect to graduate next June. Rev. Aubrey C. Todd is a student in Chicago Theological Seminary; Rev. Emmanuel Hedgebeth expects to complete his course at Elon next Commencement.

BIBLICAL CLASS.

Ellis Clarke is in the Sophomore class at Elon College and doing satisfactory work. Henry Butler Wise, a member of the Congregational-Christian Church of Newport News, has entered Elon College as a Special Student, and desires to be enrolled as a member of the Biblical Class. We recommend that he be enrolled, on the condition, that he take up the regular College course leading to an A. B. degree. It is not the policy of this Committee to recommend any person for membership in the Biblical Class, unless there is a definite purpose to enter College for full graduation.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We recommend that Ellis Clarke be granted a loan of \$150.00 from the Education Fund, on the usual conditions, and a credit of \$60.00 on room and board from the Elon Ministerial Trust Fund of this Conference.

We recommend that Emmanuel Hedgebeth be granted a loan of \$200.00 from the Educational Fund and a credit of \$60.00 on room and board from the Ministerial Trust Fund.

We recommend that Henry Butler Wise be granted a credit of \$60.00 on room and board from the Ministerial Trust Fund.

We recommend that Herbert G. Council, Jr., be granted a loan of \$200.00 to assist him in completing his course in Yale Divinity School.

We reaffirm our conviction that members of the Biblical Class shall not be licensed until they complete the Sophomore year in College, or its equivalent, and that licentiates shall not be eligible for ordination until they hold an A. B. degree from a recognized College.

We recommend that Rev. John Knight be admitted to the Conference and enrolled as an Elder upon the presentation of a letter of transfer from the Conference of which he is now a member.

We recommend that Rev. Arnold Slater be admitted to the Conference and enrolled as an Elder upon the presentation of his letter of transfer from the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

ELON COLLEGE.

Elon College is making progress in the field of education, and the condition of the institution at the close of the last session showed a small balance after paying all current expenses, including interest on the indebtedness. The number of students enrolled at last report was 553. The administration is to be congratulated upon the splendid report. Plans are under way for the 50th anniversary in 1939-40, and these plans include a general campaign to pay off all the present indebtedness. We commend these plans to the consideration of the constituency of this Conference, and urge our people to support this worthy project of this important institution. Members of Christian Churches should patronize Elon College by sending their sons and daughters for higher education.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The following statement shows the assets of this department on November 2, 1938:

Cash in Farmers Bank of Nansemond.....	\$ 4,141.59
Elon Ministerial Trust Fund—par value.....	3,000.00

NOTES

C. W. Rountree, balance on agreement.....	175.00
T. Fred Wright.....	475.00
J. Howard Smith—(paid \$25.00 interest) balance due.....	400.00
A. J. Granger, Jr.....	700.00
Aubrey C. Todd.....	500.00
Emmanuel Hedgebeth.....	300.00
Herbert G. Council, Jr.....	200.00
Elm Avenue Parsonage note.....	1,526.08

Total	\$11,417.67
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Respectfully submitted,

I. W. JOHNSON,
H. S. HARDCASTLE,
N. G. NEWMAN,
Committee.

The Church and Ministerial Reports which had been prepared by Dr. I. W. Johnson, Secretary, were distributed to the Conference.

On motion the Conference adjourned at 4:45 o'clock until the evening session. Benediction by Rev. J. M. Roberts.

WEDNESDAY—EVENING SESSION.

At 6:00 P. M. a banquet was served by the ladies of the Suffolk Christian Church, sponsored by the Eastern Virginia Pilgrim Fellowship, Mr. Charles E. Heath, Jr., Presiding.

Conference convened at 7:30 o'clock, with special organ music.

Dr. L. E. Smith conducted the devotional service. Special music rendered by the choir.

Address: "Religion of Redemption in a Time of Social Revolution"—given by Rev. Thomas Alfred Tripp, Church Extension Division of the Board of Home Missions of New York.

Conference adjourned until 9:30 A. M. Thursday.

Benediction by Rev. Robert Lee House.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference met and was called to order by Rev. Robert Lee House, President, at 9:45 o'clock. Song Service conducted by Rev. Jesse H. Dollar.

Prayer led by Rev. S. W. Phillips.

Minutes of yesterday's Session read and approved.

Report of Committee on Religious Literature read by Dr. H. S. Hardcastle, Chairman.

Address on *The Christian Sun* by Rev. F. C. Lester, Editor.

Report adopted as amended, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

"Give attendance to reading," wrote Paul to Timothy. It was timely, and timeless advice. It was never more needed than today. It ought to be broadcast from every Broadcasting Center, and blazoned from every billboard and lighted sign, and taught in every school and preached from every pulpit. Men and women, young men and maidens, boys and girls, ought to be made to realize the importance of reading, and be guided and trained in reading of the right kind.

For reading is an important and a determinative factor in life and character. We have often heard the statement "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." It might just as well be said "As a man readeth, so is he." Reading furnishes so much of the material out of which thinking is done, that one's reading colors and determines one's thinking, and hence one's action and character. "By their reading" as well as "by their fruits" are men

known. Or at least they are made, and will be known. No man can read cheap, shallow, suggestive literature and be noble and pure in thought and character. On the other hand, good and great literature is one of the most effective helps to good and great living. Religion ought to be concerned with reading. The Church ought to create, quicken, and guide an interest in good reading as one of the means whereby it can develop good character. Especially ought it to help its people to discriminate between good and bad literature, or what is just as important, between the good and the best. For one of the dangers here as elsewhere, is the fact that "the good is the enemy of the best." The Church of Christ has no more challenging problem in the modern world than the problem presented by modern literature in its many forms, and it has no more intriguing opportunity to serve its people in a complex and baffling area of life.

To be sure the Church has recognized this fact, and has done, and is doing, something about it. Many churches or communities have their own Publishing Houses, and practically all of them have their own periodicals and publications. Our Church is no exception. And our problem is the common problem of getting people to buy or subscribe to these publications, and then to read them after they get them. Space and time forbid more than a brief presentation of some of these materials.

CHURCH PERIODICALS AND PUBLICATIONS

First of all, of course, comes *The Christian Sun*. It is the "official organ of the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches." It is an excellent Church paper, sound in policy, varied in content, ably edited, a medium of cultural and spiritual influence and power. It carries news of our church activities in the South which we cannot get anywhere else. And yet it is not provincial. Our Church paper needs the support of the Church, and the Church needs the support of the Church paper. A recommendation is given later in this report concerning this matter.

There are other Church papers which might well be found on the reading tables of our homes, and in our reading schedules. *Advance* is a splendid magazine of religion, comparing favorably with the best religious periodicals of the larger fellowship of churches. It ought to have a wider circulation and reading in our Southern Convention and our Eastern Virginia Conference.

The Missionary Herald is, of course, primarily a missionary magazine. It brings in an interesting and inspiring way news about what our Church and the Spirit of Christ is doing "at home and abroad." It, too, should have a wider circulation among our people, especially among our women and young people who are members of missionary organizations.

Social Action, a comparatively recent addition to our periodical family, is a lusty, fast-growing little magazine which is making a distinctive contribution to the thought and spirit of the program of the Church in our modern world. It is not a radical magazine at all. It is carefully prepared and ably edited, and is a veritable store-house of information about some of the social problems that challenge the Church of Christ in modern life. We highly recommend *The Pilgrim Highroad* for Church School workers and especially for young people. It is an excellent publication.

DEVOTIONAL LITERATURE

In addition to these, and perhaps other periodicals that might be mentioned, there is available a vast amount of splendid devotional material that ought to find wider use in the reading habits of the Church. There is, for instance, that superb booklet of daily devotions, issued by the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church, "The Upper Room," which lends itself admirably both to private devotions and family worship. It offers a minister

a practical plan of introducing devotional habits for the individual and the family. This is, of course, only one of a number of similar booklets printed for this purpose.

There is, too, a long list of booklets, tracts, pamphlets, and articles published by the various commissions of our Church. Many of these can be secured, either for nothing, or for a trivial sum, and they can thus be used in providing the entire membership with stimulating reading. Placed on a Literature Table, or distributed by the pastor or a Literature Committee, they will not return void of a high mission.

Under this head the Devotional Literature, and standing at the head of all devotional literature, is the Bible. No amount of reading the publications or literature mentioned can be a substitute for reading the Bible itself. Indeed one wonders if one of the dangers in the large amount of good literature available today does not lie in the fact that this good literature crowds out the best literature, the Bible itself. If only some way could be devised, or some program actually practiced, of enlisting the members of the church in regular devotional reading of the Bible!

RECOMMENDATIONS

With these general observations in mind, your Committee submit the following recommendations:

1. That the Eastern Virginia Conference approve the recommendations adopted at the last session of The Southern Convention as touching this Conference, namely: That this Conference accept responsibility for securing 1,050 subscriptions to *The Christian Sun*.

2. That this number be apportioned among the Churches of our Conference, this apportionment to be done by the Editor of the *Sun*, together with such other persons as he may select to work with him.

3. That each church have a Standing Committee on Publications charged with the responsibility of securing subscriptions and renewals to *The Christian Sun*. This Committee would also secure subscriptions for publications of The Pilgrim Press, and would report regularly to their church in business session.

4. That ministers and churches make a definite and determined effort to enlist their members in using the Bible, and other devotional literature in their private devotions, and their family worship.

5. That the minister, or a properly appointed Literature Committee distribute from time to time, literature available from our denominational headquarters. It may be possible to have a Literature Table for this purpose.

6. That our Churches, Church Schools, and other organizations use our Church Literature. It is as good as the best, and better than much other literature.

H. S. HARDCASTLE,
GEORGE OLEJAR,
J. S. JOHNSON,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that the above item referring to the manner of apportionment of *Christian Sun* subscriptions be amended to read: "That the President appoint the Committee who shall apportion the number of *Christian Sun* subscriptions to each church in the Conference, and that the same be included in the church apportionments."

Report of Committee on Ministerial Ethics was read by Dr. M. S. Poulson, Chairman.

Address on Ministerial Ethics by Dr. M. S. Poulson.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL ETHICS.

Your committee appreciates the fact that it has been appointed at the request of the ministers and not at the suggestion of the laity.

Ministerial Ethics is a matter of no small importance to both the minister and his church. In a review of a book by Frederick F. Mueller and Hugh Hartshorne, on Ethical Dilemmas of Ministers, we learn that a code of ministerial ethics was presented to the New York Presbytery for adoption three or four years ago, but it was laughed out of court on the ground that it was lowering the dignity of the profession. The review suggested that whatever might legitimately be said about the dignity of the ministerial profession, the ethics of ministers is no laughing matter. Not all ministerial organizations have laughed at the proposal for some standard of ministerial ethics similar to what the bar associations have adopted, and that are so often forgotten or neglected.

Ministers anxiously try to solve moral problems of members of their churches, and yet they seldom seem able to agree upon a solution of some of their most intimate and insistent ministerial problems. In the single matter of marrying divorced persons it was found that out of 800 graduates of ten theological seminaries there was no substantial agreement regarding what they thought should be their attitude when requested to marry a divorced person. Nor did they see alike on social or civic issues, on community service, on methods of church finances, on professional relations with other ministers and other churches, on accepting special privileges such as ministerial discounts, clergy fares, fees and gratuities.

A minister is human and subject to all the frailties of human nature. But he is a conspicuously marked man because of his calling and position in the community. As such he is under obligation to observe certain niceties of conduct all too often overlooked or neglected. Because of this fact, and not because of any different standard of conduct for a minister as against a layman, ministers should scrupulously careful about their business dealings. Even the matter of promptly answering daily mail becomes important and can readily sink to the level of unethical ministerial conduct!

While it is more or less common to have commercial concerns give ministers a discount, it seems to your committee to be distinctly unethical for a minister to seek such discount by calling attention to the fact that he generally gets it. We call attention to this even though it is a small matter, yet it is not a small matter since it is frequently sneeringly referred to by critics of the minister and the church.

It is unethical even to talk as if a minister's opinion were the last word upon mooted questions. Ministers should give their opinion with becoming modesty. If the minister's personality justifies confidence, and if his record indicates that his opinions are the result of careful weighing of all available evidence, his modesty in offering opinions will be all the more appreciated.

Every minister should respect every other minister and accord them all the rights, prerogatives and courtesies he himself so much enjoys. Every minister should stay out of every other minister's field until he is invited, with the approval or consent of the incumbent, for any special event or social service.

Ministers should carefully avoid reciting incidents, even anonymously, that may be identified because of some peculiar circumstance or local color. Things told in confidence to a minister should not be talked or written about—if pos-

sible, they should not even be dreamed about. A minister is under an obligation to keep up-to-date in his reading and thinking. Wholesome books should be recommended to his people after he has read them. All his people do not need his advice in this matter, but some will welcome it.

A minister should be "as neat as a pin." Soiled linen, frayed cuffs, spotted clothes, soiled hands and disfigured finger nails do not become the cloth. Ministers should keep clean, outwardly, inwardly, constantly and scrupulously.

Every minister should "play the game" with his associates and sister churches. Each man deserves the help of all the rest, and all the rest deserve the help of each man. Ministers should avoid criticizing fellow ministers and, so far as the facts will warrant, should never fail to defend a fellow minister when he is absent.

Ministers are not asked to be identical thinkers, but they are expected to be sympathetic workmen—some skilled and some more so.

Ethics have to do with one's conduct and all of a minister's conduct is ministerial, so that ministerial ethics covers all that ministers do or should do, and all they should not do from sun to sun. Like Caesar's wife, a minister must be above suspicion or taint.

Bills should be paid promptly. Debts are to be incurred only when necessary and then well within the limit of ability to pay. Promises should be kept even if keeping them bruises the maker. When people avoid a minister it is most likely to be because he has been unethical in manner or matter.

Ethics is a short word—it does not take many words to define it but it takes a sustained effort to illustrate it when it is tied to the word ministerial. Ministerial ethics are made up of ethical actions raised to the n'th degree. Raising to n'th degree is not a matter of distance merely, but ethical ministerial conduct raises the level of a minister's thinking, talking and living. It invariably affects his congregation as well as his own immediate family. Unfortunate, indeed, is the community that harbors an unethical minister!

M. S. POULSON, *Chairman*.

Report of Committee on Home Missions was read by Col. J. E. West, Chairman.

Address: "The Church in Town and Country"—by Rev. T. A. Tripp, Church Extension Division of the Board of Home Missions, New York.

Address by Col. J. E. West.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Those who fear the church in the United States is on the decline will be gratified to learn from the 1938 Religious Statistics of the *Christian Herald* that the proportion of the total population of the U. S. who are member of some religious denomination was 19.9 per cent in 1880, and 59.9 per cent in 1937. The Congregational and Christian Churches have 1,030,914 members, a gain of 20,138 over last year, or about two per cent gain. Estimating the membership of the Christian Church at 100,000 members in 1878, during the past sixty years the Congregationalists and Christians increased 112.6 per cent, the lowest per cent of any Protestant communion of one million or more members, the next lowest 154 per cent, the highest 474 per cent and the average for all evangelical denominations 256.4 per cent.

Based on statistics of THE CHRISTIAN ANNUAL during the last sixty years the membership of the Southern Convention, as now constituted, increased 241 per cent and the Eastern Virginia Conference 211 per cent. In 1931 (the year in which the Congregationalists and Christians formed the General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches) the Southern Convention, as now constituted, had a membership of 28,637, and a Sunday School membership of

20,684, which increased by 1937 to 29,506 church and 21,287 Sunday School members. This gain, 869 church and 603 Sunday School members, is largely accounted for by the addition of several Congregational Churches in North Carolina, with a church membership of 660 and a Sunday School membership of 627. For the same period the Eastern Virginia Conference declined in membership 992, explained in part by radical revision of a few church rolls, and 698 in Sunday School membership. Using 1927 statistics the decline in Sunday School membership is 1,109, or 14.4 per cent. Owing *The Christian Sun*, Elon College, and the Orphanage, and with increasing interest in missions and other benevolences, the Southern Convention can maintain its annual average increase in membership of four per cent, the Eastern Virginia Conference its annual average of three and one-half per cent and the Congregational and Christian Churches in America their annual average of 1.7 if we really desire this done and are willing to undertake a program looking to that end. Unless we are willing to do our part in saving America we shall fail in our efforts to save the world. In other words, a Christianity that cannot save America, cannot save the world, and this necessitates a more active Home Mission work and greater evangelistic effort.

While your Committee has for over thirty years recommended and effected some voluntary grouping of churches, it is sometimes difficult to maintain such pastorates. This is an old subject, which was discussed by the Southern Convention sixty years ago, and, in 1879, the Deep River Conference (now Western North Carolina), by Conference action, grouped churches into pastorates. The Religious Statistics of the *Christian Herald* indicate that, with the exception of the Congregational and Christian Churches, denominations having congregational and semi-congregational forms of local church government, registered a much greater growth in membership during the last sixty years than groups with the pastorate system, which were next to the Congregational and Christian Churches.

With 21 strictly rural churches having a Sunday School membership of 62 per cent and the 20 village, town and city churches, 71 per cent, our rural churches are in better condition than in many sections of the country. These churches have largely furnished our ministers, have been feeders for our town and city churches and furnished much of their leadership. Here is a great challenge to our loyal young people in the rural churches not only to enjoy the wider fellowship, but by hard work, sacrifice of time and talents help solve the problems of the rural church, just as they are helping solve the problems of the farm.

Cooperating with the Executive Committee we were not successful in re-opening Sarem or moving the church to a new location and will follow your instructions as to disposition of the property. If there are any churches which desire to move to a nearby village or town, and are not financially able to bear the expense of the same, your Committee will consider the question of financial aid for such purpose.

We recommend that the Executive Committee be empowered to appropriate Home Mission Funds between the annual sessions of the Conference upon the recommendation of the Committee on Home Missions. Your Committee, in cooperation with the Mission Board of the Southern Convention and Christian Missionary Association, has made equitable and needful appropriations to mission churches and rural pastorates, assisted in the supplying of pastors to churches and in the solving of most difficult problems of debt-burdened churches. In order to simplify appropriations and relieve the Christian Missionary Association of responding to financial requests from local churches, so that the Christian Missionary Association may return to its original purpose of establishing new churches within the bounds of the Conference, we recommend that the Mission Board, whose projects in the Conference are Ocean View, Richmond, Hopewell and Elm Avenue, be requested to relieve the C. M. A. in 1938 of any further appropriations to Hopewell and Elm Avenue.

We commend the work of the Christian Missionary Association, whose only new project in the Conference is Newport News Church, with a membership of 340, a Sunday School membership of 332, and contributed last year to that Association \$145.00 out of total receipts of \$975.00. It is tenth in church and fifth in Sunday School membership, and responds liberally to all calls of the Conference and Convention.

We recommend to the Christian Missionary Association to begin at once to organize some new churches, and from a casual survey we believe the Norfolk-Portsmouth area is the section in which to begin this work.

We commend the work of the Woman's Mission Board and urge every church to form the usual Missionary Societies.

Recognizing that the continuous loss of members in the Sunday Schools is the greatest problem to be solved by this Conference, and with no desire to assume the prerogatives of the Committees on Christian Education, Evangelism and Stewardship, but being interested in all the activities of the local church, and in the absence of a Standing Committee on Sunday Schools we recommend:

1. That the President of the Conference be requested to call a 7:00 o'clock p. m. dinner conference of ministers and superintendents of Sunday Schools and one other member of each School, to be held in Suffolk for the purpose of organizing a campaign to increase Sunday School membership in every church.

2. That the Conference appoint a Standing Committee on Sunday Schools.

3. That we request the Pilgrim Fellowship to make as one of its main objectives the increasing of Sunday School membership.

For the purpose of paying certain note indebtedness of South Norfolk church amounting to \$4,719.00, we recommend that said church borrow from the Educational Fund of the Conference thirty-five hundred dollars (\$3,500.00) giving its note therefor bearing three per cent interest, with the agreement that the Home Mission Committee shall appropriate annually hereafter five hundred dollars to said church to be credited on said note until same with interest is paid. We recommend a further appropriation of \$619.00, other appropriations having priority, to pay that much on the balance on said note indebtedness, with the agreement on the part of the church that it will not apply for further appropriations, and we request that the Christian Missionary Association appropriate in 1938 and 1939 \$600.00 to pay the remaining balance of said note indebtedness.

We recommend the appropriation of \$300.00 to Wakefield pastorate on pastor's salary; \$100.00 to Newport News on debt; and \$100.00 to First, Portsmouth, on debt, these two appropriations not having been paid last year.

J. E. WEST,
J. F. MORGAN,
T. F. WRIGHT,
E. L. BEALE,

Committee.

The Report of the Christian Missionary Association was read by Rev. Jesse H. Dollar, President. The Report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Missionary Association is in its 47th year of service. Although we do not have all records available, we know that through the years the Association has been instrumental in helping a great number of churches, both by helping to provide church buildings and supplementing pastors' salaries. In more recent years it has helped churches whose mortgage indebtedness was excessive for the income and payments demanded by contracts made under more favorable conditions than have maintained in later years.

During depression years the membership in the Association has shown a sharp decline. Last year showed a slight gain over the previous year. We feel that there is a great need for even a larger membership, for within the bounds of the Conference there are opportunities for new churches and these opportunities should be met with the funds necessary to institute new churches.

As a means of increasing the membership of the Association this year, we have a Membership Committee, of which Rev. T. Fred Wright is Chairman. With him are associated Rev. Arnold Slater, Rev. O. D. Poythress, Dr. John G. Truitt and Dr. M. S. Poulson.

The Association meets this year with the Ocean View Church, on Tuesday, December 6th. We should like to call the attention of the pastors and delegates to this meeting, and urge your cooperation with the Membership Committee, so that membership in the Association may be increased and thereby increase the effectiveness of the Association.

Only 16 churches in the Conference report membership in the C. M. A. Only eight pastors hold memberships out of thirty-six. Three Missionary Societies; five Ladies Aid Societies; eight Men's Classes; five Ladies' Classes; twelve Sunday Schools; eight churches; two Young People's Classes. It can be seen by these figures that there is a wide field of prospective memberships. If they can be secured your C. M. A. will enter new fields of church expansion and relief.

JESSE H. DOLLAR, *President.*

Report of the Committee on Apportionments was read by Mr. J. T. Kernodle and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE APPORTIONMENTS.

We, your Committee on Apportionments, submit the accompanying "Schedule of Apportionments" for the year 1938-39. It will be noted that the amounts asked of the several churches are the same as last year, with the exception of three churches: The apportionments to two churches, Holy Neck and Suffolk, have been reduced, making these amounts \$271.00 and \$3,057.00, respectively; while the Richmond Church has been asked for \$400.00.

It is the opinion of your committee that there would be more nearly a 100 per cent collection of apportionments if they were sent in on a quarterly basis, rather than waiting until the end of the conference year. There are several churches which have tried this method of raising their apportionments, and report upon it favorably. In other churches money is sent to the Orphanage, for Superannuation, for Missions, and to the College, from time to time, and there is no valid reason why such items as Conference and Convention Funds should not have the advantage of this quarterly division. We believe the increased amounts received would more than justify the small additional book-keeping involved.

In connection with the above comes the question of the Collector's Report. Reference to THE ANNUAL will show that some churches that have been among the best contributors, show up poorly on the Collector's Report, due to the fact that they have sent funds directly to the various agencies of the church. There should be some record made that will show how nearly the churches pay the amount of their apportionments. We believe that changes in this report should be made to take care of the above. A system of credit memoranda for amounts sent in during the year, with the cash sent in to Conference, would give a much truer picture of what we as individual churches and as a Conference, are doing.

Your committee has given some time to thought on the above recommendations, and hopes that the Conference will give them serious consideration.

Respectfully submitted

A. L. JOLLY,
J. W. MANNING,
J. T. KERNODLE,

Committee.

SCHEDULE OF APPORTIONMENTS FOR 1938-1939.

	Conference Missions	Conference Fund	Convention Fund	Convention Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Elon College Fund	Superannuation Fund	Christian Education	Orphanage	Totals
Antioch	\$ 15	\$ 5	\$ 35	\$ 20	\$ 20	\$ 50	\$ 10	\$ 5	\$ 5	165
Barrett's	5	2	9	5	5	15	2	2	5	50
Berea (Nans.) ...	25	6	25	25	25	50	6	5	100	267
Berea (Norfolk) ..	30	5	35	35	35	85	15	5	30	275
Bethlehem (Dispt)	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	45
Bethlehem	40	15	50	50	50	150	30	10	100	495
Burton's Grove ..	5	2	8	4	4	10	2	2	5	42
Centerville	3	4	4	4	2	7	1	1	4	30
Christian Temple ..	50	35	225	225	225	550	125	40	225	1,700
Cypress Chapel ..	35	10	40	40	40	100	20	10	100	395
Damascus	15	6	30	20	10	50	5	5	25	166
Dendron	2	3	4	3	3	12	2	1	20	50
Eure	25	10	45	40	40	100	20	10	75	365
Elm Avenue	15	5	20	20	20	50	10	5	25	170
First, Norfolk ...	40	12	50	50	50	150	30	10	75	467
First, Portsmouth	40	12	50	50	50	150	30	10	100	492
First, Richmond ..	35	10	45	40	40	100	20	10	100	400
Franklin	73	18	85	85	85	192	35	15	125	713
Holland	74	25	85	85	85	191	35	15	225	820
Holy Neck	20	6	25	25	25	75	15	5	75	271
Isle of Wight	10	6	12	10	10	25	5	2	25	105
Ivor	2	3	5	2	2	7	2	1	6	30
Johnson's Grove ..	3	1	3	3	3	5	1	1	10	30
Liberty Spring ...	40	12	50	50	50	100	30	10	100	442
Mt. Carmel	35	7	40	40	40	100	20	10	100	392
Mt. Zion	10	3	10	10	10	25	5	2	10	85
Newport News ..	80	18	85	85	85	185	35	15	100	688
New Lebanon ...	10	6	13	12	12	30	10	3	15	111
Ocean View	10	6	12	13	12	30	10	3	25	121
Old Zion	40	10	50	50	50	150	30	10	100	490
Oak Grove	10	5	12	13	12	30	10	3	20	115
Oakland	35	7	40	40	40	75	20	10	100	367
Rosemont	60	15	90	70	70	175	25	5	250	760
Shelton (Ports.) ..	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	45
Suffolk	300	35	400	340	340	795	165	82	600	3,057
South Norfolk ...	60	12	70	70	70	170	30	5	125	612
Spring Hill	7	5	13	10	10	25	5	3	20	98
Union (Surry) ..	5	3	5	5	5	15	5	2	15	60
Union (South) ..	15	5	20	20	20	50	10	5	10	155
Waverly	25	12	65	40	40	80	20	10	35	327
Wakefield	7	2	10	10	10	27	5	3	25	99
Windsor	30	6	35	35	35	85	15	5	100	346
Totals	\$1351	\$ 380	\$1920	\$1764	\$1750	\$4281	\$ 881	\$ 366	\$3220	\$ 15,913

The following persons were presented to the Conference: Rev. G. A. Pearce, Mr. Chas. D. Johnston, Mr. Henry W. Wise and Mr. Ellis Clarke.

It was moved and carried that Conference adjourn for lunch.
Benediction by Rev. James L. Foster.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 2:15 o'clock, President Robert Lee House presiding.

Song Service Conducted by Rev. O. D. Poythress.

Prayer led by Rev. J. H. Warren.

Report of the Woman's Board was read by Mrs. Russell T. Bradford, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF WOMAN'S BOARD.

When the time comes to make a report of our Women's work I am always at a loss to know just how to report the things in which the Conference as a whole will be interested, aside from the vital statistics that will become a part of our continuous records.

We wish that all of you could have been present at our one-day conference held in the Waverly Christian Church, on Friday, October 6th. Every available space in the church was occupied and a most interesting program was given. Every minute was consumed in interesting reports, inspirational addresses and plans for the new year. We wove our entire program around the beautiful theme: "Are Ye Able?" and our conference hymn carried the same title. It was an inspiration to hear those several hundred women and the ministers sing the closing hymn which was an answer to the challenge.

Our work has grown very steadily during the year and slight increases were noted in all lines of our work. Every report given carried with it a complete survey of the duties concerned, a general summary of the various situations, and a most interesting challenge.

We greatly appreciated having with us Chaplain and Mrs. H. E. Rountree of the U. S. Navy, and Mrs. Jamee Hess of Madeira, India. Mr. Rountree and Mrs. Hess were our guest speakers. The message brought to us by Mrs. Hess gave us a closer contact with our far-away neighbors of India, about whom our foreign books deal this year.

Our finances showed a slight increase, the total for the year being \$5,005.34. We adjourned to meet in Richmond at First Christian Church on the first Friday in October, 1939. The following officers were elected to carry on the work of the Conference for the next year:

President—Mrs. J. Monroe Harris.

First Vice-President—Mrs. R. T. Bradford.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. B. D. Jones.

Secretary—Mrs. Herbert Harrell.

Treasurer—Mrs. Everett R. Bryant.

Superintendent Young People—Miss Caroline Gort.

Superintendent Literature—Mrs. J. F. Morgan.

Superintendent Cradle Roll—Mrs. Frank Eppes.

Superintendent Life Memberships and Memorials—Mrs. J. A. Williams.

Superintendent Spiritual Life—Mrs. A. B. Jarvis.

District Superintendents—Norfolk, Mrs. Joe A. French; Nansemond-Franklin-Gates, Mrs. Wesley Rountree; Waverly, Mrs. Garland Spratley.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. MONROE HARRIS.

Report of Committee on Foreign Missions was read by Mrs. John G. Truitt.

Address: "World Friendship"—by Miss Mildred C. Widber.

Address: "Our Faith in the American Board"—by Rev. F. C. Lester.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The church that is awake to the seriousness of these days gives first place to its missionary program, to the great commission "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." The confusion that is all about us, and far too much within us, can only be cured by religion which brings into the affairs of men the power of God.

We believe that the salvation of the world is conditioned on man's co-operation with God. To bring this cooperation of man with God is the task of the Christian Church. Christianity is not a theory about life. Christianity is life. The church has spent altogether too much of its time and energy in criticism, in analyzing the problems and restating the difficulties. What the church must do is to preach a sure word of faith and a plain word of obedience.

The day in which we live is alive with Christian opportunity. The present world crisis brings us face to face with immediate needs and tasks in which we dare not fail.

The American Board of the Congregational and Christian Churches of the United States presents you facts that challenge everyone to share in the cause of Christ throughout the world now.

This is the 127th year for work of the American Board. We have 467 missionaries in active service, 6,608 national Christian workers, 13 missions, 2,813 places of service, 765 churches, 10 colleges, 41 theological and training schools, 1,017 lower schools, 23 hospitals, 40 dispensaries.

Our Foreign Board has \$7,000,000 invested in lands and buildings. We have a foreign parish of 60,000,000. The money for foreign missions is spent as follows:

- 52.3% for support of missionaries.
- 30.9% for support of national workers.
- 16.8% for support of administration and promotion.
- China gets 17.5%.
- India gets 21.2%.
- Japan gets 8%.
- Africa gets 12.8%.
- Near East gets 48.6%.
- Others get 5.1%.
- Administration gets 16.8%.

It is interesting to know that 38% of our funds are spent for evangelism, and the rest for hospitals, schools, etc. So much for facts concerning our Foreign Board. We felt that you would be interested in this report on foreign missions to hear something about the missionaries sent out by our former American Christian Convention who are still on the field and doing good.

The Barretts in Puerto Rico (who were sent out as foreign missionaries) are under the Merger Home Missionaries since Puerto Rico is now a part of the States.

The Garmons are in Japan, and the McKnights are in Japan. These are all working happily under the united Board. Dr. Fay, now retired, is living at the Mission Home in Auburndale, Mass., is very happy and writes that his every want is supplied.

Rev. Woodworth and wife prefer their own home in Merom, Ind., and they are allowed to live there with a retiring allowance sufficient for their needs and support.

This year our church is putting special emphasis on the study of India. Why?

1. Because it is the interdenominational theme for the year.
2. It is the year of the World Christian Conference in Madras.
3. It is the year of India's first big step in Freedom of Government.
4. It is the year of great Christian opportunity in that wonderful land.

India has three times as many people as in the United States, in an area half as large, one-third of the world's illiterates, at least 200 languages, nine

Protestant Missionaries to every million people. These are a few facts about India. Of the five principal religions—Hinduism, Islam, Buddhism, Animism, and Christianity—Christianity is increasing proportionately much the fastest.

In Japan mission work goes on, with only such hindrances to the work as must be expected from wartime conditions. The loss of life and destruction of property in China has brought to some a feeling that continued Christian work in that country is wasteful. The Seminar on Missions for the General Council calls attention to the genuineness of the faith of Christian in both China and Japan during these trying days. This crisis calls for continuance and strengthening of missionary effort in China especially. It is our conviction that the church can make no more practical contribution toward the cause of world peace than through the missionary program. We therefore recommend to each church:

1. That it examine the missionary program for children, for young people, for men and women, in an effort to see if the program includes a study of the needs of specific groups in this and other countries with active participation in meeting such needs.

2. We recommend that each church fix responsibility for such a program of missionary education in the hands of a committee.

3. We recommend that every church should seek a progressive giving increase from year to year to the missionary program.

In conclusion your committee desires to go on record as convinced that the root of the whole matter is a deeper commitment of self to Christ and to His way of service and sacrifice in the world.

MRS. JOHN G. TRUITT, *C'h'm.*,
MRS. J. F. MORGAN,
MRS. R. T. BRADFORD,
Committee.

Chaplain W. W. Elder was introduced to the Conference.

It was moved and carried that an offering be received for the Debt of Honor Campaign.

It was moved and carried that Sunday, November 20, be known as Guest Preacher's Day, and that each church have a Guest Preacher present who will speak on the Christian Missionary Association and the need for more members.

It was moved and carried that the Vote on the Basis of Convention Representation scheduled for Friday at 11:30 be made a Special order at this time.

It was moved and carried that the Conference approve the Plan of Representation as presented by Dr. L. E. Smith.

It was moved and carried that the Report of the Committee on Evangelism be postponed until Friday A. M.

Report of the Nominating Committee was read by Dr. H. S. Hardcastle.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Vice-President—Col. J. E. West.

Secretary-Emeritus—Dr. I. W. Johnson.

Secretary—Dr. John G. Truitt.

Assistant Secretary—W. H. Baker.

Treasurer—W. E. MacClenny.

Mr. E. B. Rawls, Conference Collector, made his report which was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COLLECTOR.

	Conference Home Missions	Conference Fund	Convention Fund	Convention Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Elon College Fund	Superannuation Fund	Christian Education	Orphanage
Antioch	\$ 5.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	
Barrett's	4.50	2.00							
Berea (Nans.) ...	25.00	6.00	25.00			80.00	6.00	5.00	7.30
Berea (Nor.) ...	30.00	5.00	35.00	15.00	15.50	73.50		5.00	9.00
Bethlehem	12.00	15.00	40.00						
Bethlehem (Dispt)	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	3.00	5.00	3.00	1.00	3.00
Burton's Grove ..	5.00	2.00	8.00			5.00		2.00	
Centerville	3.00	4.00	4.00	1.00	2.00	7.00	1.00	1.00	4.00
Christian Temple ..	150.00	35.00	225.00	75.00	75.00	360.00	90.00	40.00	
Cypress Chapel ..	5.00	10.00	20.00	5.00	5.00	5.00			
Damascus									
Dendron	2.00	3.00	4.00			4.96		1.00	
Elm Avenue	15.00	5.00	5.00						
Eure		2.00	2.00		2.00				4.00
First, Norfolk ...	40.00	10.00	50.00	12.50	12.50	100.00		10.00	
First, Portsmouth ..		50.00				29.41	15.00	10.00	
First, Richmond ..	35.00	7.00	40.00			8.59		10.00	8.69
Franklin	53.00	18.00	85.00	85.00				15.00	
Holy Neck	40.00	12.00	50.00	1.57	1.58	127.08	30.00	10.00	28.13
Holland	74.00	25.00	85.00	8.69		63.80	10.00	15.00	25.39
Hopewell									
Isle of Wight	5.00	2.00	6.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	
Ivor									
Johnson's Grove ..	3.00	1.00	1.14						
Liberty Spring ...	40.00	12.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	129.00	14.38	10.00	.25
Mt. Carmel	5.00	5.00	5.00	2.32	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Mt. Zion	10.90								2.00
New Lebanon ...	4.00	4.00	4.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Newport News ..	80.00	18.00	85.00					15.00	
Ocean View									
Old Zion	25.00	5.00							
Oakland	35.00	5.00	40.00	13.00	13.00	100.00	10.00	10.00	17.00
Oak Grove	25.00	25.00	25.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.57
Rosemont	60.00	15.00	90.00			78.00		5.00	
Shelton (Ports.) ..		7.00							
Suffolk	300.00	35.00	440.00	146.00	146.00	431.35			
Spring Hill	7.00	5.00	13.00	10.00	10.00	7.78		3.00	6.00
South Norfolk ...	60.00	12.00	25.00			33.00	15.00	5.00	
Union (South) ..	5.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Union (Surry) ..	3.00	3.00	3.00			3.00	3.00	2.00	
Wakefield	7.00	2.00	10.00						
Waverly	1.00	12.00	65.00		30.00	60.95		10.00	
Windsor	30.00	6.00	35.00	7.57	7.58	30.53		5.00	2.05
Epworth Mission ..		5.00							

Totals \$1203.50 \$404.00 \$1591.14 \$450.47 \$389.99 \$1758.95 \$207.38 \$200.00 \$123.38
Grand total .. \$6328.81

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. RAWLES,

Collector.

Report of the Committee on Finance was read by Rev. J. F. Morgan, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, submit the following report:

We have examined the report of W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer, find same correct, and move that it be approved.

We recommend the payment of the following bills from the Conference Fund:

I. W. Johnson, Secretary, salary.....	\$ 50.00
I. W. Johnson, postage, stationery, etc.....	7.49
Carl R. Key, Chairman Stewardship Committee, travel and postage.....	4.00
Joe A. French, Chairman, postage, etc.....	3.50
J. T. Kernodle, Programs.....	3.50

Total	\$ 68.49
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We also recommend that the Secretary be authorized to draw drafts for the following amounts to be forwarded to L. L. Vaughan, Treasurer of the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches, Incorporated:

Convention Fund	\$ 1,591.00
Convention Missions	450.00
Foreign Missions	390.00
Elon College Fund	1,759.00
Superannuated Fund	207.00
Christian Education	200.00
Orphanage	123.00

Total	\$ 4,720.00
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J. F. MORGAN,
S. W. PHILLIPS,
I. T. BYRD,
T. F. WRIGHT,

Committee.

It was moved and carried that one full evening session of the Conference next year be given to the Pilgrim Fellowship to more fully present their program.

On motion Conference adjourned till the evening session.

Benediction by Chaplain W. W. Elder.

THURSDAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference convened at 7:30 o'clock, with special organ music.

Rev. Herbert G. Council, Jr., conducted the devotional Services. Special music rendered by the choir of the Suffolk Christian Church.

Dr. Stanley C. Harrel, President of the Southern Convention, delivered an address on: "The Greatest Question Man Faces."

Conference adjourned with benediction by the President to meet Friday at 9:30 A. M.

FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference met and was called to order by Rev. Robert Lee House, President, at 9:30 o'clock. Song Service conducted by Mr. W. H.

Baker. Prayer led by Rev. T. N. Lowe. Minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

Report of Memoirs and Historian read by Mr. W. E. MacClenny, and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON MEMOIRS.

Your Committee begs leave to report that within the past year no minister of this Conference has been called hence.

It is with deep regret that we have to report the death of the Vice-President of this body, Dr. Japheth E. Rawles, who was fatally injured in an automobile accident on October 13, 1938, between Waverly and Wakefield, and was brought to Lakeview Hospital, Suffolk, Va., where he lingered until the afternoon of the 14th, when he passed away. In his passing this body has suffered a great loss.

It was his brain that established Lakeview Hospital. He was a trustee of Elon College, a deacon in his local church, President of the Chamber of Commerce, and an active member of the Suffolk Rotary Club. He was also a lecturer on temperance, and often called on by other churches and societies to give his lecture.

His death struck the whole city and the entire section of country with sadness, as his life had touched so many people in all walks of life. He was liked and admired by all classes, rich and poor, high and low, educated and illiterate, Jew and Gentile, Protestant and Catholic, white and black, for his sterling worth and character.

Born on February 15, 1875, near Holy Neck Church, to some of us he had been intimately known for almost a half century, and we know that the youth is the father of the man, and it was demonstrated in his case, for as a youth he had high ideals, the ideals of a gentleman and a Christian, and while in college he was one of the few men who no matter what emergency arose, could pour oil on the troubled waters and get things to moving on smoothly.

As a man those qualities developed, especially in his Christian character, and he became a leader in every enterprise and undertaking that he espoused, and his personality was such that people listened to his words of counsel and advice. His life was more the fulfillment of the following poem by an unknown author than any one with whom we have come in contact:

"A LIVING SERMON"

"I'd rather see a sermon than to hear one any day,
I'd rather one should walk with me than merely tell the way,
The eye's a better pupil and more willing than the ear,
Fine counsel is confusion, but example's always clear,
And the best preachers are the men who live their creeds,
For to see good put into action is what everybody needs.

"I can soon learn how to do it, if you'll let me see it done,
I can watch your hands in action, but your tongue too fast may run,
And the lectures you may deliver may be wise and true,
But I'd rather get my lesson by observing what you do,
For I may understand you, and the high advice you give,
But there's no misunderstanding how you act and how you live.

"When I see a deed of kindness I am eager to be kind,
When a weaker brother stumbles and a strong man stays behind,
Just to see if he can help him, then the wish grows strong in me
To become as big and thoughtful as I know that friend to be,
And all travelers can witness that the best of guides today
Is not the one who tells them, but the one who shows the way.

"One good man teaches many, men believe what they behold,
 One deed of kindness noticed is worth forty that are told,
 Who stands with men of honor learns to hold his honor dear,
 For right living speaks a language which to every one is clear,
 Though an able speaker charms me with his eloquence, I say
 I'd rather see a sermon than to hear one any day."

He passed the zenith of life, he had seen the works of his hands, heart and soul firmly established in the souls of men, and may the Lord let his mantle fall upon some one in this body who can take up his work where he laid it down. We commend all to his God, in whom he trusted so implicitly, and may we all when the time comes for us to go his way, be prepared to meet him in that brighter and better sphere, where we shall live in etrenal bliss.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. E. MACCLENNY,
Committee.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN.

We are now assembled in the Peanut Capital of North America, Suffolk, Va. The early peanut cultivation was fostered by the founder of this church in which we are meeting, Dr. William B. Wellons, who used his influence and that of his paper, *The Christian Sun*, then published in Suffolk, to get the farmers of this section to cultivate peanuts after the war of 1861-65. After the cultivation had become general, still there was no market in Suffolk for peanuts, and a member of the Christian Church, John King, who had practical knowledge and experience in the peanut cleaning business, brought his knowledge with him to Suffolk, and with his associates, began the first permanent peanut cleaning establishment in the town. This effort was followed by others and still more until our city has become the largest peanut market in North America.

But our community history goes back beyond that date. As early as 1608 this section was visited by Capt. John Smith and his companions who explored the river to its head, and found that the oyster shell banks of the Nansemond river furnished more corn than any other section of the country, as the Nansemond Indians were more of an agricultural people than some others, and the result was that whenever provisions ran short at Jamestown, the colonists would repair to the granery of the colony in Nansemond, and replenish their supply of food. In this way the trimmings for the first English wedding party in Virginia, that of John Laydon and Anne Burras, came from the banks of the Nansemond in 1608.

About 1650, this section began to be taken up in grants by the settlers, and soon it took on new life. A glass bead factory was established just across the river, and some of the best colonial beads were made at that plant, and signs of it are to be seen there today. These were used in the Indian trade.

By 1742 there were many people living in the vicinity, and a man named Constance had built a warehouse on the river bank and there was much trade carried on, and in that year, Col. Lemuel Riddick had a bill introduced in the Virginia House of Burgesses, on June 3rd, to incorporate a town at what was then known as Constance's warehouse, on Nansemond River. It was passed and signed by the Governor on June 19th of that year, 1742, and immediately the town was laid off in lots by Thomas Milner, surveyor, and the town was begun in earnest.

The Trustees, for that was the way the town was to be governed, wished to make the new town in the Upper Parish the center of civil and religious gatherings, and one of the first things proposed by the vestry of the Parish was that they build a colonial church in the new town, and the agitation was kept up until 1753, when one of the handsomest colonial churches on the south side of the James River was completed and occupied. This stood on the corner of what is now Church Street and Western Avenue in the old part of the city. It is

now a shrine owned by the Nansemond Branch of the A. P. V. A., with markers erected with the names of the vestrymen, church wardens, rectors and the members of the House of Burgesses and State officers from the county in colonial days.

About the same time the Court House and Clerk's Office were moved into the new town, and a Poor House was built in the town for the care of the poor of the Parish.

English and Scotch merchants established themselves in the town, and soon the river was busy with foreign and domestic trade. When some of you see the river you may doubt this, but not many years ago a vessel loaded at the wharf here with lumber for Cork, Ireland.

Trade increased especially from North Carolina, until the Revolutionary War, when Suffolk became an important military depot, and was burned by the British on May 13, 1779, the old church being the least damaged building in the place according to contemporary writers.

She soon rebuilt, and was prospering again when on June 3, 1837, another fire destroyed the old part of the town, only two or three houses being left from Mahan Street to the wharf. Again it was rebuilt but this time nearer what is the center of the city today, but the river trade was very important. A railroad had been built connecting the town with Portsmouth and Weldon, N. C. But there was another storm brewing for the struggling town, and it soon broke out in all its fury, taking the flower of the manhood from the town and county, many of them never returning to see their native homes again. First it was the camping ground of the Confederates, and then of the Union soldiers, and practically all farm houses, mills, and churches were burned down or damaged by the soldiers. The boast of one historian was that his command marched seven miles out of the town by the light of the farm houses burned by the cavalry. There were only two houses left standing in that seven miles.

After the war everything but hope was gone, but the men returned to what had been their homes, began to repair and rebuild until today we have one of the best small cities in the country. The business section of the town was burned on June 7, 1885, and again on August 1, 1888.

As to the early-Christian Church, Rev. James O'Kelly, the organizer of the Christian Church in the South, was the Presiding Elder over this section in 1790 and 1792, the year of the Baltimore Conference, when he seceded from the M. E. Church. One of his granddaughters, Mrs. Lucinda Anderson, now lies buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery, as she died at the home of her grandson, Rev. William T. Walker, while he was pastor of this church.

Our Conference was planned for at the "Big Hay meeting at Holy Neck" (3rd Sunday in May) in 1817, and at the next one in 1818 plans were further matured, and the first regular session was held at Cypress Chapel on September 25, 26, 27, 1819, since which time sessions have been held every year except -1862, 1863 and 1864, when the territory of the Conference was overrun by the forces of the enemy, and the officers of the Conference were serving their country under General Robert E. Lee and his generals. In 1865, the disheartened men met again at Holy Neck and took fresh courage, and have held yearly sessions, only one having been postponed. 1918 was delayed a short time on account of an epidemic of influenza.

Our church was organized by Rev. Dr. William B. Wellons, the great leader of the Christians, in 1860, and he served it as pastor until a short time before his death, February 16, 1877. He was followed by Rev. Jesse T. Whitley whom he had trained to take up his work where he laid it down; and he was followed by Rev. William T. Walker, who had lost an arm in the C. S. Army; and Dr. W. W. Staley followed him and remained with the church, in one capacity or another, for almost 50 years, or until October, 1932. In 1923 Rev. H. S. Hardcastle became pastor, while Dr. W. W. Staley was pastor-emeritus, and he was followed by Dr. John G. Truitt in 1933, who is still with us.

The religious history of the town and city has been varied. At one time there was said to have been only two Christians in the town, but we are of the opinion that this was too far-fetched. But from 1781 to 1802 there seems to have been no house of worship in the town, and if a preacher was passing through and desired to hold a religious service he would have to use a private residence or the Court House. After 1802 all denominations used the union meeting house which had been built at Cedar Hill Cemetery, until the Methodists built their church in 1822-23, and the Baptists in 1827, and the Methodist Protestants about 1828, and the Christians in 1860, and dedicated in March 1861, six weeks before Virginia seceded from the Union, and the war began in earnest. All the churches of the town were used during the war for barracks and hospitals for the Federal soldiers, and sometimes there would be preaching by a Chaplain for his men, but none of the citizens attended the service, and from what we can learn these services were few and far between, and after the Federal evacuation of Suffolk all the churches fell into disuse.

Our church has lost some of its most worthy members during the past 25 years, men and women who had stood by her, and who loved her, and gave her their hearty support, but we are still going.

Within the past eight years we have united in fellowship with the Congregational Churches of America, but from the Year Book of the Congregational and Christian Churches, we find that there is no such thing as a Congregational-Christian Church. The local church is the center and soul of the whole organization. It is self-administered and is the final arbiter of all questions relating to its own life. If used at all it should be Congregational and Christian Churches.

We regret that there have come into our gatherings of late many questions which we believe should be settled in other fields, for we believe with Gen. U. S. Grant that we should forever keep the church and state apart. The plebiscite which some wish to put up this month appears to have no place in a Christian Church. From what we have seen it is a trouble breeder with no hope of doing any good whatsoever; and we are glad to learn that many of the representative churches in this Conference will have nothing to do with it. All students of American history know what such things brought about in 1850, and we do not want a recurrence of those times, and we firmly believe that when we engage in such things we are sowing the seeds of future trouble.

We of the Christian Church in this section believe in peace in the church, knowing that the church should be the place where there should be no hatred stirred up as the Lord is the Maker of us all; the rich and the poor should meet together and that in peace, and try to follow in the footsteps of the Prince of Peace.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. E. MACCLENNY,
Historian.

On motion made by Rev. J. E. McCauley, who voted in the affirmative, it was voted to reconsider the vote yesterday on the Change of Representation in the Convention. The Reconsideration was made a special order at the close of the regular session, and a Committee consisting of Col. J. E. West, Arnold Slater and J. H. Dollar was requested to consider the manner of approach.

Report of Committee on Stewardship was read by Rev. R. E. Brittle.

Address: Stewardship and the Local Church"—by Rev. J. H. Dollar.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP.

At the beginning of the year your Committee met with Dr. Warren H. Denison, Executive Secretary of the Commission of Stewardship of the General Council, and planned the work. A seven-point program was outlined and has been carried as far toward completion as the members of this Conference have allowed. The program was printed in *The Christian Sun*. It is as follows:

1. Literature.

- a. Worship services prepared for distribution to pastors, young people, women and other organizations. None was requested.
- b. Circulation Library. There are one dozen of the best books and pamphlets on Christian Stewardship for circulation among the churches. The list was announced in *The Christian Sun*. Four churches used library.
- c. Popular pamphlets for free distribution: "Immortal Money," by Stocking; "Jesus and Money," by Latimer; and "Spiritualizing Church Finance," by Denison. Address The Missions Council, 287 Fourth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

2. Visitation—Members of the Committee agreed to visit churches for sermons, addresses and classes if requested. No requests were made.

3. Essays—The young people should be asked to write short papers on Stewardship to be read before various organizations. None was reported.

4. Several articles were written for and announcements made on Stewardship in *The Christian Sun*.

5. Sermons—The Ministers in the Conference preached approximately one hundred sermons on Stewardship last year.

6. Study Classes—One hundred and ninety classes were held in Sunday Schools and churches.

7. The Stewardship Conference—Such a meeting was held the fourth Sunday in February at Shelton Church, Portsmouth. About thirty-five people attended with ten churches represented. Theme, "Partnership With God." Text, "We are laborers together with God."—1 Cor. 3:9.

(1) Worship service, Rev. Jesse H. Dollar.

(2) Address on Theme, Dr. John G. Truitt.

(3) Open Forum—

a. The Minister and Stewardship, Rev. J. F. Morgan.

b. The Layman and Stewardship, Rev. J. A. French.

c. The Apportionments and Stewardship, Mr. A. L. Jolly.

The present program was planned at the third meeting.

Your Committee recommends that this seven-point program be continued through the present Church Year.

CARL R. KEY,
JOHN G. TRUITT,
JESSE H. DOLLAR,
R. E. BRITTLE,

Committee.

Mr. C. D. West delivered an address on "The Christian Orphanage and Its Needs."

Mr. Charles D. Johnston, Superintendent, also spoke concerning the Orphanage.

Report of Committee on Superannuation was read by Mr. J. T. Kernodle, Chairman.

Dr. M. S. Poulson and Rev. Jesse H. Dollar delivered addresses on

"The Need of Superannuation for Our Ministers in Our Conference."
Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

There is nothing of more importance in the business of the Church than providing safety for the old age of the minister who has given his life to its cause. Until within the last few years our church has been lax in making provision for this most important matter. However, there is still quite necessary a certain amount of educating both for the minister who serves and for the layman who is served.

There are two ways now extant in our denomination for providing funds with which to care for our aged ministers and their dependents: First, by contributions in the form of freewill offerings and conference apportionments; second, by a modified form of insurance in which the minister, his church and the National organization participate.

There is need for both of these ways at the present time, because of the fact that many of our ministers are unable because of their age to now accumulate sufficient reserve by any form of insurance to care for them even inadequately. These must be cared for by the method which we have heretofore used.

We suggest, however, to the minister who is below the age of forty that he seriously consider "The Annuity Fund." We also ask our churches to encourage their ministers to enter this fund, and bear their share of its cost.

Our own conference has asked each local church to contribute a definite amount for the purpose of supporting our aged ministers and their dependents. The church is given the privilege of raising the amount in the most convenient way, but all churches are asked to occasionally receive an offering for superannuated ministers in connection with the observance of the Lord's Supper.

We recommend:

1. That each church have some leading layman, either of their own congregation, or a visitor, present the cause of ministerial relief at some special occasion during the coming year.

2. That unless the church has some other preferred method of providing its apportionment for ministerial relief, it take one public offering for this purpose each quarter, preferably at the time the Lord's Supper is served.

3. That each church stress the Christmas offering, and in this way add as much as possible to this fund.

4. That each church take the initiative in interesting its minister in becoming a participant in the Annuity Fund, which provides security for his old age and protection for his family.

J. T. KERNODLE, *Chairman.*

Report of the Committee on Evangelism was read by Rev. J. E. McCauley, Chairman.

Address: "The Pastor's Class"—by Rev. Carl R. Key.

Address: "Personal Evangelism"—by Rev. H. E. Crutchfield.

Address—"The Preaching Mission"—by Rev. J. E. McCauley.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

It is useless for your Committee to take time and space to elaborate on the importance of Evangelism for this age. This has been and always will be the chief business of the Christian Church. When our Risen Lord gave the command to go into all the world and preach His Gospel, He meant just that. There were no limits or bounds then. There is not now.

The mission of the Church is to win to, build up in, and send out for. We have not been obedient to our Lord's command until we have done just this.

The third Sunday in January an Evangelistic Conference was held at the Windsor Church under the auspices of the Evangelistic Committee. Special emphasis was given to the importance of our church becoming aggressive in this field. We can not report the results because the fruits of such efforts are not always visible.

The subject has been discussed in our Ministerial Conference from time to time with the aim of keeping the thought first and foremost before the ministerial brethren. Articles have appeared in *The Sun* calling attention to what was being done and what needed to be done.

What is being done is as follows: Practically every church within the bounds of the Conference has devoted at least one week to emphasis on Evangelism. Most of the ministers preached Evangelistic sermons with visible results at various times during the year. Five hundred and sixty-two members have been received into our churches during the Conference year. Last year 419 were received.

For the past five years the denomination as a whole has decreased, rather than increased. We need to engender a spirit of the early church into the whole of the Conference and then let it reach out to the whole brotherhood.

Therefore we recommend that:

1. More stress be put on winning people to Christ, endorsing mass evangelism, personal evangelism and the Pastor's Class, all as available and suitable means for winning and training people for the Christian life.

2. That each church spend at least one week in special services, trying to revive the interest, build up the faith, and win new converts to Christ. The method being left to the pastor and the local church.

3. That whenever and wherever possible the pastor invite a visiting brother pastor of *our own denomination* to assist in these special meetings.

4. All campaigns be well planned, prior to the beginning of the meeting, Bible study, tracts on evangelism and the best material suggestions available from our publishing house.

5. Some effort be made to win new converts and add new members to our churches each month.

J. E. McCAULEY,
L. E. SMITH,
CARL R. KEY,
H. E. CRUTCHFIELD,
R. E. BRITTLE,
Committee.

Report of Committee on Place for Next Session was read by the Secretary. It was moved and carried that the Conference accept the invitation of the South Norfolk Church as a place for the next session.

Report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by Rev. B. H. Watkins, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Believing that we express the sentiments of all in attendance upon this 118th Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference when we say that each day has been full of true worship, information, and an earnest desire to do the Master's work, we, your Committee offer the following resolutions:

1. That the Conference express its sincere regrets for the absence of Dr. I. W. Johnson, who served our Conference so efficiently and faithfully for 29 years.
2. That we express our appreciation and love for all our disabled and aged

ministers, and the laymen who have in official capacity served our Conference so faithfully in the past.

3. That we express our appreciation to our President for his annual address and efficient leadership, to the other officers of the Conference for their faithful services, and to all the visitors who have appeared on the program with their inspiring addresses.

4. That we express by a rising vote of thanks to the Suffolk Christian Church and pastor for the splendid provision made for our comfort and entertainment during the sessions of this Conference.

5. That we resolve as pastors and delegates to make our churches within the Conference a greater power in meeting the needs of our Church and all its interests.

B. H. WATKINS,
J. S. JOHNSON,
R. E. BRITTLE,

Committee.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary be instructed to write Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Dr. W. D. Harward and Dr. Chas. Eldred Shelton, conveying the greetings of the Conference.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees for the ensuing year:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Executive—J. F. Morgan, J. E. West, R. L. House, I. W. Johnson, W. H. Baker.

Education—I. W. Johnson, H. S. Hardcastle, N. G. Neman, J. E. McCauley, L. E. Smith.

Home Missions—J. E. West, T. F. Wright, E. L. Beale, H. E. Crutchfield.

Foreign Missions—Mrs. J. G. Truitt, Mrs. R. T. Bradford, Mrs. J. Monroe Harris, Rev. F. C. Lester.

Christian Education—J. A. French, W. H. Baker, H. S. Hardcastle, J. E. McCauley, L. E. Smith.

Religious Literature—R. L. House, J. S. Johnson, J. H. Dollar.

Evangelism—J. E. McCauley, O. D. Poythress, R. E. Brittle, S. W. Phillips.

Stewardship—Arnold Slater, George Olejar, B. H. Watkins.

Temperance and Moral Reform—E. W. Jones, O. D. Poythress, J. H. Warren.

Superannuation—J. T. Kernodle, A. M. Johnson, M. S. Poulson.

Apportionments—J. G. Truitt, J. W. Manning, J. T. Kernodle, Garland Gray.

Ministerial Ethics—M. S. Poulson, E. L. Daughtrey, H. W. Lee.

Sunday Schools—J. A. French, W. H. Baker, J. E. McCauley, H. S. Hardcastle, L. E. Smith.

Historian—W. E. MacClenny.

Memoirs—W. E. MacClenny.

Place of Meeting—Mrs. J. A. Williams.

Collector—E. B. Rawles.

A Supplementary Report of the Committee on Education was read by Dr. N. G. Newman, and adopted as follows:

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

We recommend that Henry Butler Wise be granted a credit of \$60.00 on room and board from the Ministerial Trust Fund.

We recommend that Revs. S. W. Phillips and Herbert G. Councill, Jr., be ordained to the office of Elder during the sitting of this Conference.

I. W. JOHNSON,
H. S. HARDCASTLE,
N. G. NEWMAN,

Committee.

The President appointed the following Presbytery to ordain those named in the above report: Revs. N. G. Newman, John G. Truitt, H. S. Hardcastle, Robert Lee House and J. F. Morgan, the last two named as assistants.

Report of Special Committee on Convention Representation was read by Col. J. E. West, Chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONVENTION REPRESENTATION.

Moved that the Eastern Virginia Conference memorialize the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches, Incorporated, at the next regular session to amend item 2 of section 1, page 32, of the last edition of the "Principles of Government," as follows:

The Convention shall consist of all the officers of the Convention, the Presidents and Secretaries of Conferences, all members of Boards and Standing Committees of the Convention, the President of Elon College, the Superintendent of the Orphanage, and other Elders and Laymen elected as delegates by the Conferences in annual session as follows:

(1). Every Conference shall be entitled to elect all Elders on its roll in good standing.

(2). Laymen (men or women), shall be elected in the following manner:

Every local church of 200 members or less, shall be entitled to one representative, and every church of more than 200 members shall be entitled to two representatives, who shall be nominated by the local church, and said names forwarded on the report to the Conference preceding the regular session of the Convention, and submitted to the Conference for election as delegates. Additional delegates at large shall be elected to bring the representation to one lay delegate for each 200 members of the Conference.

The delegates shall be elected for two years.

J. E. WEST,
J. H. DOLLAR,
ARNOLD SLATER,
Committee.

The Committee on Nominations made a supplementary Report and Dr. John G. Truitt was elected Secretary in place of Mrs. Mary Rollings who declined to serve.

It was moved and carried that in the future, if any ministerial student wishes to make application to the Conference for a loan, license, or ordination, such request shall be made to the Committee on Education one month prior to the session of the Conference.

It was moved and carried that a letter of transfer be granted to Rev. Carl R. Key upon his request.

It was moved and carried that E. B. Rawls, Collector, be authorized to turn over to the Conference Treasurer the funds collected by him.

It was moved and carried that the Bond of the Treasurer be renewed and the Secretary be authorized to draw draft on the Conference Fund to pay for same.

It was moved and carried that the minutes be printed in the ANNUAL and that 500 copies be purchased and distributed pro rata among the churches and paid for from the Conference Fund.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary send greetings to our former Collector, Mr. R. C. Norfleet, in appreciation of his long years of service.

The President appointed the following *Christian Sun* Committees whose duty will be to allot the number of subscriptions from each church: R. L. House, J. H. Dollar, J. G. Truitt, and F. C. Lester.

It was moved and carried that the Conference adjourn at the conclusion of the Ordination Service.

Revs. S. W. Phillips and Herbert G. Council, Jr., were then duly ordained as Elders by the following Presbytery: Revs. N. G. Newman, J. G. Truitt and H. S. Hardcastle, assisted by Revs. Robert Lee House and J. F. Morgan.

The Conference then adjourned to meet at the South Norfolk Christian Church, Wednesday before the first Sunday in November, 1939, at 10:00 A. M.

ROBERT LEE HOUSE, *President.*

W. H. BAKER, *Assistant Secretary.*

I. W. JOHNSON, *Secretary Emeritus.*

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

Elisha Bradshaw—No charge; visits, 100; funerals, 2.

R. E. Brittle—Churches in charge: Cypress Chapel, Bethlehem, Union (South.); sermons, 192; conversions, 90; members received, 72; marriages, 48; addresses, 6; baptisms, 51; visits, 1,748; funerals, 34; salary, \$1,410.00.

Herbert G. Council, Jr.—Student pastor, Community Chapel, Waterford, Conn., January to June 1, 1938—Sermons, 20; visits, 50; salary, \$100.00.

H. E. Crutchfield—Churches in charge: Antioch, Isle of Wight, Eure, Oak Grove, Mt. Carmel, Windsor; sermons, 138; conversions, 32; members received, 47; marriages, 1; addresses, 2; baptisms, 21; visits, 1,200; funerals, 17 salary, \$1,275.00.

Warren H. Denison—Assistant Secretary, General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches—Sermons and addresses, 167; funerals, 3; travelled 21,500 miles.

Jesse H. Dollar—Church in charge: First, Newport News; sermons, 98; conversions, 24; members received, 42; marriages, 6; addresses, 12; baptisms, 24; visits, 719; funerals, 3; salary, \$1,800.00.

A. R. Flowers—In the work of Christian Education, has helped more than a score of deserving boys and girls enter college; sermons, 40; conversions, 17; marriages, 4; addresses, 200; baptisms, 10; funerals, 3; salary, \$500.00. Work for next year in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia.

Joe A. French—Churches in charge: Ocean View, Berea (Norfolk); sermons, 115; conversions, 7; members received, 12; marriages, 6; addresses, 4; baptisms, 3; visits, 930; funerals, 1; salary, \$1,519.00.

W. H. Garman—Church in charge: Old Zion; sermons, 190; conversions, 52; members received, 43; marriages, 39; addresses, 2; baptisms, 24; visits, 650; salary, \$1,820.00.

Armor Lanson Granger, Jr.—Churches in charge: Assistant pastor First Congregational Church, Guilford, Conn.; sermons, 36; addresses, 8; visits, 65; funerals, 1; salary, \$295.00.

H. S. Hardcastle—Church in charge: Christian Temple; sermons, 110; conversions, 21; members received, 35; marriages, 33; baptisms, 16; visits, 400; salary, \$2,700.00 and parsonage.

W. D. Harward—No charge—"Greetings to the Conference. I am still not able to do anything in the work of the church I love."

Emmanuel Hedgebeth—Church in charge: Mebane; sermons, 19; members received, 3; addresses, 1; visits, 26; salary, \$73.87.

H. C. Hilliard—Churches in charge: Damascus, Eure and Oak Grove for three and one-half months; sermons, 28; marriages, 3; visits, 200; funerals, 5; salary, \$240.00.

Robert Lee House—Church in charge: First, Portsmouth; sermons, 115; conversions, 12; members received, 20; marriages, 3; addresses, 5; baptisms, 12; visits, 700; funerals, 3; salary, \$1,600.00.

I. W. Johnson—Churches in charge: Berea (Nansemond), Liberty Spring, Oakland; sermons, 30; conversions, 35; members received, 52; marriages, 83; visits, 150; funerals, 12; salary, \$1,620.00. Inactive for 7 months on account of illness.

J. S. Johnson—Church in charge: Dendron; sermons, 14; conversions, 1; members received, 3; baptisms, 1; visits, 10; funerals, 1; salary, \$360.00.

Elwood W. Jones—Churches in charge: Franklin and Johnson's Grove; sermons, 100; conversions, 5; members received, 18; marriages, 3; addresses, 24; baptisms, 4; visits, 500; funerals, 19; salary, \$1,925.00.

Carl R. Key—Church in charge: Holland; sermons, 68; conversions, 7; members received, 10; marriages, 1; addresses, 16; baptisms, 7; visits, 1,262; funerals, 9; salary, \$1,500.00 and parsonage.

L. L. Lassiter—No charge.

F. C. Lester—Church in charge: First, Norfolk; sermons, 92; conversions, 4; members received, 9; marriages, 2; addresses, 17; baptisms, 4; visits, 200; funerals, 4; salary, \$1,100.00 and parsonage. Also Editor of *The Christian Sun*.

T. N. Lowe—Church in charge: Hopewell; sermons, 141; conversions, 10; members received, 6; marriages, 5; baptisms, 1; visits, 175; funerals, 5; salary, \$470.47.

Joseph E. McCauley—Church in charge: First, Richmond; sermons, 114; members received, 4; marriages, 6; addresses, 24; visits, 981; funerals, 2; salary, \$1,800.00.

Wilson C. Moore—Church in charge: Epworth Mission; sermons, 60; marriages, 6; baptisms, 32; funerals, 12; no salary.

J. F. Morgan—Church in charge: Rosemont; sermons, 128; conversions, 15; members received, 20; marriages, 18; addresses, 25; baptisms, 17; visits, 1,500; funerals, 20; salary, 1,820.00 and parsonage.

Durant D. Nash—Supplied for pastors in Ashboro, Concord and Kannapolis, N. C. and Hopewell, Va.; sermons, 10; conversions, 2; addresses, 16; visits, 70; funerals, 2.

N. G. Newman—Supply for Berea-Oakland and Liberty Spring for 7 months, assisting the pastor, I. W. Johnson.

George Olejar—Church in charge: Bethlehem (Disputanta); sermons, 51; conversions, 3; members received, 4; marriages, 3; addresses, 2; baptisms, 3; visits, 318; funerals, 2; salary, \$1,020.00 and parsonage.

G. A. Pearce—No charge; sermons, 6; salary, \$7.40.

Slade Wyatt Phillips—Church in charge: Elm Avenue; sermons, 220; members received, 16; marriages, 4; addresses, 4; baptisms, 12; visits, 200; funerals, 3; salary, \$1,250.00.

Marna S. Poulson—Church in charge: Shelton-First Congregational; sermons, 102; conversions, 6; members received, 13; marriages, 3; addresses, 80; baptisms, 5; salary, \$900.00 and parsonage.

O. D. Poythress—Church in charge: South Norfolk; sermons, 140; conversions, 50; members received, 40; marriages, 38; addresses, 10; baptisms 30; visits, 1,200; funerals, 57; salary, \$2,340.00.

J. M. Roberts—No report—Supply pastor of Union, Surry.

Hersey Essiepoffe Rountree—Chaplain U. S. N.; sermons, 148; conversions, 11; members received, 11; marriages, 6; addresses, 10; attendance, 450; baptisms, 8; visits, 64; funerals, 2; salary, \$3,900.00. Work includes many activities not listed on report.

Arnold Slater—Church in charge: Holy Neck; sermons, 88; conversions, 10; members received, 12; marriages, 3; addresses, 13; baptisms, 10; visits, 875; funerals, 12; salary, \$1,200.00 and parsonage.

L. E. Smith—Church in charge: Elon College Community Church; sermons, 22; conversions, 26; members received, 34; addresses, 6; visits, 168; funerals, 1; salary, \$900.00. Also serve as President of Elon College.

Aubrey C. Todd—Church in charge: Pekin, Ill., Congregational Church; sermons, 63; members received, 9; addresses, 2; baptisms, 7; visits, 342; funerals, 5; salary, \$960.00. Student Chicago Theological Seminary.

John G. Truitt—Church in charge: Suffolk; sermons, 115; conversions, 32; members received, 66; marriages, 48; addresses, 36; baptisms, 24; visits, 1,419; funerals, 42; salary, \$3,000.00 and parsonage.

J. H. Warren—Churches in charge: Mt. Zion, East Ocean View; sermons, 118; conversions, 19; members received, 40; marriages, 12; addresses, 27; baptisms, 19; visits, 875; funerals, 16.

B. H. Watkins—Churches in charge: Wakefield, Ivor, Burton's Grove, Barrett's; sermons, 114; conversions, 22; members received, 15; marriages, 1; addresses, 16; baptisms, 10; visits, 632; funerals, 14; salary, \$835.00.

T. Fred Wright—Churches in charge: Waverly, Spring Hill, Centerville; sermons, 115; conversions, 14; members received, 12; marriages, 1; addresses, 6; baptisms, 12; visits, 575; funerals, 2; salary—not complete.

SUMMARY.

Total conversions reported	492
Total members received	616

CHURCH STATISTICS—EASTERN

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Membership Reported Last Year.	Received by Confession.	Received by Letter.	Lost by Death.	Lost by Letter.	Pre-sent Membership.	Conference Home Missions.	Conference Fund.
Antioch	H. E. Crutchfield	J. H. Godwin, Windsor, Va.	174	18	1	11	7	184		
Barrett's	B. H. Watkins	P. B. Barrett, Sedley, Va.	70	4	1	1	1	73	\$ 3.50	\$ 2.00
Berea, Nansemond.	I. W. Johnson	Mrs. H. P. Harrell, Driver, Va.	90	8	4	1		101	25.00	6.00
Berea, Norfolk.	Joe A. French.	M. W. Hollowell, Portsmouth, Va.	161		1		1	161	30.00	5.00
Bethlehem	R. E. Brittle	J. W. Folk, Suffolk, Va.	424	24		6	5	437	12.00	15.00
Bethlehem, Dispt.	George Olejar.	Andrew Moncel, Disputanta, Va.	129	3	1	2		131	5.00	5.00
Burton's Grove.	B. H. Watkins.	E. W. Carroll, Wakefield, Va.	45			1		38	5.00	2.00
Centerville.	T. Fred Wright	J. G. Bishop, Jr., Disputanta, Va.	70				4	66	3.00	4.00
Christian Temple.	H. S. Hardecastle	R. V. White, Norfolk, Va.	869	16	19	8	7	889	150.00	35.00
Cypress Chapel.	R. E. Brittle	Roy Brinkley, Suffolk Va.	321	25	6	5	5	342	10.00	10.00
Damascus	H. C. Hilliard.	J. E. Corbitt, Sunbury, N. C.	181	12	1	2	1	191		
Dendron.	J. S. Johnson.	W. S. Barrett, Dendron, Va.	47	1	1		3	46	2.00	3.00
Elm Avenue.	S. W. Phillips.	B. P. Deans, Portsmouth, Va.	58	13	3	1	11	62	15.00	5.00
Eure.	H. E. Crutchfield	J. H. Lilley, Eure, N. C.	350	1	4	4	29	322		2.00
First, Norfolk	F. C. Lester.	J. Aubrey Hall, Norfolk, Va.	322	4	5	3	6	322	40.00	10.00
First, Portsmouth	R. L. House.	R. F. Edwards, Portsmouth, Va.	103	12	8	1		122		
Shelton, Ports'th.	M. S. Poulson	W. F. Lawrence, Portsmouth, Va.	69	6	7			83		
First, Richmond.	J. E. McCauley.	Mrs. C. W. Woodward, Richmond, Va.	167		4		1	170	35.00	7.00
Franklin.	Elwood W. Jones	Samuel Bradshaw, Franklin, Va.	283	8	4	4		291	73.00	18.00
Holy Neck.	Arnold Slater.	Miss Lillye Holland, Holland, Va.	337	10	2	6	8	245	40.00	12.00
Holland	Carl R. Key.	Miss Frances Everett, Holland, Va.	389	7	3	3	7	389	74.00	25.00
Hopewell.	T. N. Lowe.	Mrs. G. A. Robertson, Hopewell, Va.	160	1	5	2		164		
Isle of Wight.	H. E. Crutchfield	K. A. Wells, Isle of Wight, Va.	55		7	4	4	54	24.01	30.00
Ivor.	B. H. Watkins.	Mrs. J. S. Bryant, Ivor, Va.	32			2	1	29		
Johnson's Grove.	Elwood W. Jones	Mrs. B. F. Hancock, Sedley, Va.	80	1		2	3	75		
Liberty Spring.	I. W. Johnson.	Parke C. Brinkley, Suffolk, Va.	364	6	8	2	4	372	40.00	12.00
Mt. Carmel.	H. E. Crutchfield	Mrs. Mattie Cox, Walters, Va.	216	3	1	4	1	215		7.00
Mt. Zion.	J. H. Warren.	Mrs. J. L. Gray, Eclipse, Va.	56	1		1		56		10.00
New Lebanon.	J. H. Warren.	Ollie V. Cokes, Elberon, Va.	71			1	4	66	2.00	2.00
Newport News.	J. H. Dollar.	D. H. Lawson, Newport News, Va.	340	24	18	3	5	374	80.00	18.00
Ocean View	Joe A. French.	Mrs. D. L. Brown, Norfolk, Va.	65	5	6	1		75		5.00
Oakland.	I. W. Johnson.	Mrs. J. Rollie Gayle, Carrollton, Va.	333	19	9	1	7	353	35.00	7.00
Oak Grove.	H. E. Crutchfield	H. V. Beamon, Gatesville, N. C.	80	3				83		
Old Zion.	W. H. Garman.	W. V. Starnes, Norfolk, Va.	402	37	6	3	18	424	20.00	
Rosemont.	J. F. Morgan.	W. M. Sparkman, Buell, Va.	399	12	8	3	7	409	60.00	15.00
Suffolk	John G. Truitt.	J. D. MacClenny, Suffolk, Va.	1287	32	33	18	14	1310	300.00	35.00
Spring Hill.	T. Fred Wright.	Mrs. E. B. Richardson, Waverly, Va.	63	9				72	7.00	5.00
South Norfolk.	O. D. Poythress.	C. E. Hollowell, So. Norfolk, Va.	525	30	10	10	10	545	60.00	12.00
Union, South.	R. E. Brittle.	R. H. Joyner, Franklin, Va.	144	7	9	2	7	152	3.00	9.00
Union, Surry.	J. M. Roberts.	R. T. Brittle, Dendron, Va.	47	1		1		47		
Wakefield.	B. H. Watkins.	Edward Bailey, Wakefield, Va.	106	5	5	3	2	111	7.00	2.00
Waverly.	T. Fred Wright.	R. T. West, Waverly, Va.	226			1	4	221	25.00	12.00
Windsor.	H. E. Crutchfield	Mrs. Mary Laine, Windsor, Va.	130	3	2	2	10	125	30.00	6.00
Epworth Mission.	W. C. Moore.									5.00
Hobson (Inactive).										
Sarem (Inactive).										
Totals.			9900	371	202	125	223	9997	\$1205.51	\$ 358.00

NOTE.—Under heading "Other Expenses" is included payments on church debt.

VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

Convention Fund.	Convention Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Elon College Fund.	Superannuation Fund.	Christian Education.	Orphanage.	Pastor's Salary.	Women's Missionary Societies.	Other Benevolences.	Other Expenses.	Total Raised for All Purposes.	Value of Church Property.
\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00			\$ 2.00		\$ 14.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 330.00	\$ 422.00	\$ 1,000
25.00	29.00	\$ 29.00	\$ 80.00	6.00	\$ 5.00	8.55	130.00	158.00	7.00	124.00	282.00	1,000
35.00	35.00	35.00	85.00	16.00	5.00	100.00	420.00	66.00	158.00	362.00	1,493.00	1,500
40.00		30.95	16.06		10.00	30.00	520.00	290.00	119.00	789.00	1,905.00	2,500
						93.53	660.00		250.00	493.00	2,106.94	15,000
5.00	5.00	3.00	5.00	3.00	1.00	3.00	720.00			616.00	1,411.00	4,500
8.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	10.00	150.00	22.00		20.00	263.00	500
4.00	4.00	2.00	7.00	1.00	1.00	4.00	70.50			5.90	138.00	1,000
225.00	75.00	75.00	360.00	122.49	40.00	192.23	2,700.00	861.00	222.00	7,766.75	14,628.51	250,000
20.00	10.00	10.00	5.00		6.20	61.24	452.00	176.00	27.00	2,558.03	3,704.44	20,000
							166.67	77.00		42.95	302.02	120
4.00	12.90	12.90	12.00	6.00	1.00	28.50	355.00	82.00	5.00	246.00	829.00	1,500
	23.52	23.52				52.27	1,250.00	35.00	54.00	925.00	2,701.00	16,000
2.00		2.00	50.00			4.00	250.00	25.00	36.00	30.00	428.00	2,500
50.00	50.00	50.00	150.00	37.19	10.00	100.00	1,202.50	75.00	23.00	1,038.51	3,046.79	47,200
50.00		47.26	100.00	21.34	10.00	60.42	1,600.00	119.00		1,036.00	3,409.36	75,000
							838.00			575.00	1,413.51	25,000
40.00	41.81	41.81	100.00	20.00	10.00	100.00	900.00	60.00	75.00	1,237.67	2,839.91	178,000
85.00	85.00	85.00	192.00	35.00	15.00	125.00	1,800.00	494.00		740.81	4,336.91	40,000
50.00	50.00	50.00	150.00	30.00	10.00	150.00	1,089.00	364.00	30.00	1,028.98	3,522.62	12,000
85.00	85.00	95.00	191.00	35.00	15.00	225.00	1,500.00	230.00	71.00	1,219.19	4,022.87	35,000
	4.70			1.55			470.47	9.00		31.29	608.94	7,000
	2.50	4.00				8.00	225.00	108.00		52.35	454.60	300
							78.00		34.00	65.76	226.89	1,500
		5.65				9.21	125.00			20.44	199.36	2,000
50.00	50.00	50.00	150.00	30.00	10.00	100.00	600.00	302.00		287.00	2,181.00	20,000
15.23	36.79	35.00	3.02			100.96	350.00	118.00		183.04	1,265.43	5,000
						2.00	75.12			78.75	165.87	2,500
10.25	2.00	24.00	9.50	3.00	2.00	30.00	108.52	22.00	85.00	238.63	537.85	2,500
85.00	85.00	85.00	185.00	35.00	15.00	103.42	1,800.00	232.00	77.00	2,669.80	6,232.73	3,000
5.00						9.00	349.49	30.00		439.75	1,050.86	6,000
40.00	40.00	40.00	100.00	20.00	10.00	100.00	600.00	99.00		390.00	1,739.00	15,000
						19.00	181.65	100.00		36.00	339.08	2,500
						74.50	113.00		56.00	1,388.89	4,122.39	15,000
90.00	186.00	176.00	175.00	30.00	5.00	760.00	1,820.00	265.00	175.00	1,740.00	6,540.00	40,000
440.00	400.00	400.00	638.35	109.25	100.00	635.67	3,000.00	1099.00	101.00	8,690.64	17,460.32	160,000
13.00	8.00	8.00	18.82	7.39	3.00	16.90	120.00	15.00		59.62	339.74	2,500
60.00	35.00	91.00	40.00	15.00	5.00	75.00	2,340.00	138.00	75.00	2,046.00	5,422.00	90,000
2.35	7.21	7.21	6.25	3.00	3.00	13.92	250.00			200.00	439.03	2,500
							64.00			5.00	125.00	250
10.00	13.30	13.30		5.00		35.44	480.00	54.00	48.00	212.28	948.32	8,000
65.00	52.35	30.00	60.95	22.00	10.00		860.00	68.00		259.00	1,813.95	16,000
35.00	30.00	30.00	45.00	15.00	5.00	100.00	450.00	134.00		151.50	1,305.53	5,000
\$1648.83	\$1465.83	\$1525.60	\$2939.95	\$ 626.21	\$ 373.70	\$3591.66	\$33,088.92	\$5952.00	\$1743.00	\$40,400.15	\$ 106,732.52	\$1,162,870

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—EASTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Total Enrollment.	Total Amount Raised During Year.
Antioch.....	J. T. Godwin, Windsor, Va.....	7	65	\$ 65.00
Barrett's.....	J. Q. Hancock, Sedley, Va.....	7	48	32.00
Berea, Nansemond.....	Lloyd C. March, Suffolk, Va.....	9	134	236.00
Berea, Norfolk.....	Percy L. Nichols, Hickory, Va.....	16	163	187.00
Bethlehem.....	C. F. Savage, R. 2, Suffolk, Va.....	30	236	326.00
Bethlehem, Disputanta.....	John Cibula, Prince George, Va.....	8	160	102.00
Burton's Grove.....	E. W. Carroll, Wakefield, Va.....	6	33	29.00
Centerville.....	G. W. Bain, Disputanta, Va.....	6	27	31.00
Christian Temple.....	L. G. Robinson, Norfolk, Va.....	32	529	1,660.00
Cypress Chapel.....	J. C. Lynch, Suffolk, Va.....	28	210	358.00
Damascus.....	Fletcher Corbitt, Sunbury, N. C.....	8	81	92.00
Dendron.....	E. T. Atkinson, Dendron, Va.....	10	54	113.00
Elm Avenue.....	J. E. Savage, Portsmouth, Va.....	12	78	794.00
Eure.....	T. A. Eure, Eure, N. C.....	7	70	18.00
First, Norfolk.....	C. E. Warrington, Norfolk, Va.....	24	155	305.00
First, Portsmouth.....	H. W. Lee, Portsmouth, Va.....	16	135	323.00
Shelton, Portsmouth.....	E. O. Wood, Portsmouth, Va.....	10	50	145.00
First, Richmond.....	R. C. Parsons, Richmond, Va.....	18	135	277.00
Franklin.....	Dr. D. W. Jones, Franklin, Va.....	24	218	588.00
Holy Neck.....	J. E. March, Holland, Va.....	14	196	458.00
Holland.....	E. J. Norfleet, Holland, Va.....	23	181	488.00
Hopewell.....	F. W. Lowe, Hopewell, Va.....	12	72	91.00
Isle of Wight.....	W. L. English, Isle of Wight, Va.....	12	90	82.00
Ivor.....	Samuel Brittle, Ivor, Va.....	5	29	40.00
Johnson's Grove.....	B. F. Hancock, Sedley, Va.....	6	29	39.00
Liberty Spring.....	I. T. Byrd, Holland, Va.....	16	189	392.00
Mt. Carmel.....	Otis V. Joyner, Walters, Va.....	21	173	416.00
Mt. Zion.....	R. M. Matthews, Eclipse, Va.....	5	50	38.00
New Lebanon.....	Ollie V. Cockes, Elberon, Va.....	7	55	108.00
Newport News.....	W. B. Williams, Newport News, Va.....	29	326	866.00
Ocean View.....	W. H. H. Smith, Ocean View, Va.....	10	135	201.00
Oakland.....	G. C. Griffin, Windsor, Va.....	11	202	248.00
Oak Grove.....	G. E. Rountree, Sunbury, N. C.....	7	65	85.00
Old Zion.....	W. W. Starnes, Norfolk, Va.....	19	374	300.00
Rosemont.....	H. R. Morrison, Norfolk, Va.....	30	270	1,003.00
Suffolk.....	W. S. Beamon, Suffolk, Va.....	62	755	1,136.00
Spring Hill.....	G. C. White, Waverly, Va.....	8	50	58.00
South Norfolk.....	A. B. Creef, South Norfolk, Va.....	51	486	1,500.00
Union, S'hampton.....	R. H. Joyner, Sr., Franklin, Va.....	8	74	80.00
Union, Surry.....	R. T. Brittle, Dendron, Va.....	5	23	56.00
Wakefield.....	F. E. Branch, Wakefield, Va.....	10	74	180.00
Waverly.....	B. E. White, Waverly, Va.....	18	220	313.00
Windsor.....	S. T. Holland, Windsor, Va.....	12	101	274.00
Totals.....		587	6,660	\$13,602.00

Proceedings of the Sixty-Eighth Annual Session of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference.

PLEASANT GROVE CHRISTIAN CHURCH, ROUTE 1, BISCOE, N. C.
NOVEMBER 9 AND 10, 1938.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Sixty-Eighth Annual Session of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference met in Pleasant Grove Christian Church, Wednesday morning, November 9, 1938. The President, Rev. E. Carl Brady, called the meeting to order at 10:10.

Song Service was conducted by Rev. M. A. Pollard. The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. T. J. Green.

The Welcome Address was given by Rev. B. H. Lowdermilk and Rev. H. V. Cox gave the Response.

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—E. Carl Brady, H. V. Cox, J. U. Fogleman, T. J. Green, G. O. Lankford, B. H. Lowdermilk, A. L. Lucas, W. C. Martin, D. R. Moffitt, M. A. Pollard, J. Q. Pugh, G. M. Tally.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch (C)—Mrs. Cordia Fields, Mrs. Frank Green, Mrs. Sallie Houston.

Antioch (R)—J. H. Fox, Melvin Cain.

Bailey's Grove—F. L. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dezern.

Bennett—Mrs. L. M. Murray.

Big Oak—W. P. Copeland, J. N. Thomas.

Biscoe—Mrs. O. H. Lambert, Mrs. W. E. Asbill.

Brown's Chapel—H. B. Saunders, Kenneth Sheffield, Athus Key.

Ether—W. H. Freeman, Neill Kearns.

Flint Hill (M)—Willie Williams, Carson Williams, Quentin Britt.

Flint Hill (R)—Miss Lola Farlow, Walter Lanier.

Glendon—

Grace's Chapel—Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Coggin, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Coley.

Graham—

Graham Providence-Memorial—

Hamlet—Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Tenant, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Honeycutt.

Hank's Chapel—H. C. Farrell.

High Point (First)—Mrs. B. P. Moffitt, Mrs. Clara Gardner.

High Point (East Green)—

Liberty—Cyrus Shoffner, Mrs. E. T. Ray, Mrs. H. K. Routh.

Mt. Pleasant—E. M. Marks, Archie McKay, L. D. Brooks.

Needham's Grove—Henry Scott, W. W. Ritter.

New Center—L. B. Craven.

Park's Cross Roads—Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene York.

Patterson's Grove—

Pleasant Cross—Mrs. Gene Chaney, Mrs. Bascom Kinney.

Pleasant Grove—R. J. Flippin, W. L. Welch, Mrs. Mae Brady, Mrs. J. R. Brown.

Pleasant Hill—P. E. Coble, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Fogleman.

Pleasant Ridge—W. E. Bean, Luther Williams, W. W. Davis, Miss Ruby Williams.

Pleasant Union—Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Morris, A. W. Harris.

Providence Chapel—Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Brewer, Mr. and Mrs. Jason Moore.

Ramseur—E. A. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Welborn, J. A. Brady.

Randleman—A. P. Gaster, Mrs. W. G. Lamb, Mrs. Hazel Dorsett.

Seagrove—June Farlow, Mrs. D. A. Cornelison, R. J. Lawrence.

Shady Grove—Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Saunders.

Shiloh—Nicholas Brooks, Miss Carrie Needham.

Smithwood—Miss Mildred Curtis, Mrs. J. R. Jessup, Miss Iris Mae Humble, Mrs. M. T. Humble.

Sophia—Mrs. Ada Coletrane, Stacy Hayes.

Spoon's Chapel—Mrs. M. J. Smith, Miss Lydia Stout, Gillis Luck.

Union Grove—J. H. Ferree, Marvin Brown, T. F. Brown.

Zion—

The President declared a quorum present and the Conference ready for business.

The following visitors were presented to the Conference: Rev. T. E. Cross of Palm Street Church; Dr. S. C. Harrell, President of the Southern Convention; Mrs. Thomas Terry, of the Siler City M. E. Church, South; Rev. J. W. Patton of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference; Rev. D. M. Spence of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference; Rev. R. L. Williamson of the Virginia Valley Central Conference; Harold Loman of Palm Street Church; Rev. F. Ervin Hyde of the Eastern North Carolina Conference; Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College; Charles D. Johnston, Superintendent of the Elon Orphanage; Rev. J. L. Foster of the Eastern North Carolina Conference. On motion, these visitors were made deliberative members of the Conference.

The Vice-President, Rev. M. A. Pollard, was asked to preside. Rev. E. Carl Brady reported for the Program Committee as follows:

REPORT OF THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

The Program Committee has prepared the printed program, which is here for distribution, and recommend that it be made the order of service, subject to such changes as may be necessary.

E. CARL BRADY,
T. J. GREEN,
GEO. T. GUNTER,
Committee.

On motion the report was adopted.

The report of Executive Committee was also presented by Rev. E. Carl Brady as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At the request of Grace's Chapel Church, the Executive Committee changed the place of meeting from that church to Pleasant Grove where this session of Conference is to be held.

E. CARL BRADY,
T. J. GREEN,
Committee.

The report was adopted as read.

President Brady again took the chair and appointed the following Special Committees:

Nominating Committee—Rev. T. J. Green, Rev. J. U. Fogleman, E. A. Harden.

Finance Committee—Cyrus Shoffner, W. H. Freeman, Rev. A. L. Lucas.

Committee on Place—Rev. B. H. Lowdermilk, Henry B. Saunders, E. M. Marks.

Committee on Memoirs—Rev. M. A. Pollard, Rev. H. V. Cox, Rev. J. U.

Fogleman, Rev. J. Q. Pugh, Rev. D. R. Moffitt.

Vacancies on Education Committee—T. J. Green, H. V. Cox.

Rev. S. C. Harrell, President of the Southern Convention, delivered the Annual Sermon, using for his text: I Corinthians 12: 27. His subject was: "The Church Fulfilling Its Task."

The Conference heard Bro. Harrell's splendid message with a great deal of pleasure and profit.

The Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. R. L. Williamson, who was ably assisted by Dr. L. E. Smith and Rev. J. W. Patton.

Rev. T. J. Green invited everyone to dinner at the big table in the yard.

On motion the Conference adjourned.

Benediction by Dr. L. E. Smith.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 1:45.

Rev. M. A. Pollard conducted the Devotional Service.

Delegates were enrolled from Flint Hill (R) and Smithwood Churches.

Rev. and Mrs. F. C. Lester were presented to Conference and made deliberative members of the Conference.

Rv. J. U. Fogleman gave the report of Nominating Committee as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, the Committee on Nominations—after some deliberation—heartily recommend the present officers be re-elected for the coming year. The officers are: Rev. E. C. Brady, president; Rev. M. A. Pollard, vice-president; O. D. Lawrence, treasurer; Geo. T. Gunter, secretary; Rev. W. C. Martin, assistant secretary.

T. J. GREEN,
J. U. FOGLEMAN,
A. E. HARDEN,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

Glenn Craven was appointed to assist W. H. Freeman with the Treasurer's duties.

President Brady told the Conference that Rev. J. M. Allred, Rev. W. N. Hayes, and Treasurer O. D. Lawrence were absent because of illness. Prayer was offered in their behalf, Rev. T. J. Green leading the prayer. The Secretary was authorized to send a letter to each of the three brethren, expressing our sympathy and interest.

On motion reports of ministers and churches were handed to the Secretary.

Rev. F. C. Lester told the Conference that he would take the reports and prepare statistical tables for distribution at tomorrow's Session.

The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor was submitted by the Chairman, George T. Gunter. Motion made and seconded that report be adopted. The report was discussed by George T. Gunter, Rev. E. C. Brady, and Dr. L. E. Smith. The report was then adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

We, your Committee, submit the following report:

The annual Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention was held at Pleasant Ridge Church, Thursday, July 28, 1938. Twenty-one (21) churches were represented either by delegates or by a report. Six of our churches reported a Christian Endeavor Society or some other young people's organization. Too many of our churches were not represented and too few have C. E. or young people's societies. We, therefore, recommend:

1. That each church try to organize and maintain a Christian Endeavor Society, or some young people's organization.

2. That we give our support to the Elon Training or Leadership School by sending at least one or two delegates from each church, or school.

3. That we rally to the support of our Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention, urging all pastors, officers and teachers to attend. This convention will be held at our Randleman Church the last Thursday in July (the 27th) 1939.

4. That each school make a monthly offering to the Orphanage, to Missions, and a quarterly offering to Elon College.

5. That we take advantage of the services and helps offered by our Board of Christian Education.

6. That we call upon our new Promotional Secretary for services when we need him and in return cooperate in every possible way.

M. A. POLLARD,
GEO. T. GUNTER,
Committee.

Motion made and seconded that this Conference approve the plan (or referendum) of Southern Convention in regard to changing manner of electing delegates to the Convention. The motion was amended to allow each church to nominate one (1) delegate if membership be 200 or under and two delegates if membership be over 200. The motion as amended was adopted.

Rev. Thomas Alfred Tripp, of the Extension Division of Home Mission Board; Rev. and Mrs. Carl R. Key of Holland, Va.; and Rev. Joseph S. Loughran of the Debt of Honor Campaign, were introduced and seated as deliberative members of Conference.

The report of Committee on Foreign Missions was presented by Rev. M. A. Pollard. On motion the report was adopted as read.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

In Mark 16:15, our Lord gave to all His followers a commission, "GO YE." It is a call to those who know Him as Savior and Lord, having "redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins." The field of labor is the whole world, any place where the unsaved are found, it includes "every creature." As Christians our hopes outreach the possibilities of force and law. We think of righteousness as voluntary; we think of achieving the highest type of Christian civilization through the royal law of love—the love of Christ which passeth knowledge. A principal duty of the church is to carry brotherliness, and the love of Christ, into the unpossessed fields; until the last stronghold falls, our task remains unfinished. The gospel is the good news of salvation to those who realize they are lost, Jesus not only loved us but—that he died for us. The gospel originates in His love, and flows from His sacrifice He made for me. Paul said: "He loved me and gave Himself for me," and John said: "He loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood." The gospel is not of human merit, but of His own free gift—and saves those whom the law curses.

The carrying of this news is the business of the church—"we must live our message, and our message is Jesus." This is the great challenge of the Church today. If we are to be effective as a witness of our Lord, we must share with others the life, light and love of our Lord. When we do not share with them, we become spiritually inactive; we lose our power and influence for greater good.

Therefore, we, your Committee on Foreign Missions, make the following recommendations:

1. That Sunday Schools take an offering once a month for missions.
2. That all churches cooperate whole-heartedly with Dr. Atkinson in keeping the missionary work before the people.
3. That at or near Easter each church take an offering for missions.
4. That pastors give whatever assistance possible to the missionary societies of their churches.
5. That pastors do all they can to interest their church or churches in missions.

Respectfully submitted,
M. A. POLLARD,
G. M. TALLY,
Committee.

"The Small Town and Country Church" was the subject for an address by Rev. Thomas A. Tripp. He ably discussed some of the problems now facing the church in the small town and country.

Miss Flossie Bray made the report of the Entertainment Committee.

On motion Conference adjourned to meet at seven o'clock.

Benediction by Rev. J. U. Fogleman.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 7 o'clock.

Song: "Blessed Assurance."

Prayer by Rev. Carl R. Key.

The report of Committee on Social Service was read by Rev. A. L. Lucas. While motion to adopt report was pending Rev. Carl R. Key addressed the Conference. The motion was carried and the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE

Your Committee on Social Service submits the following report:

We are certain that the teachings of Christ have social implications. The churches are the greatest force to teach them to men. We live in a time when men need to think clearly.

Plato's assertion, "What thou seest that thou beest," is a truism which might be further rendered, "What thou seest, that thou doest," or "havest" or "makest," as exemplified in the attainments of the statesman, the inventor, the artist, the writer. The one who companions with worthy thoughts and motives assimilates them, himself growing naturally into greatness.

We need to be prepared for our opportunity rather than merely to seek for it, for it is not so much the lack of opportunity which fetters humanity as the lack of readiness for opportunity.

We need to act rightly. Paul said to the young man Timothy, "Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, and purity."

We must form the habit of keeping busy. This way of keeping busy is open to each one of us, and it is the sure way of finding heaven on earth. Therefore we recommend:

1. That we work together to bring about world peace. We feel that the supreme need of the nations of the earth is the mind of the Prince of Peace.

2. That we use our influence against the whiskey habit and all other intoxicants.

3. That we keep in mind our Christian duty to all races of men; that we are constrained to offer this support and fellowship in the name of our Lord who made brotherhood and respect for personality the supreme law of life.

4. We urge all our people to read the publications *Advance*, *Social Action*, and *The Christian Century* in order that they may know the issues involved.

A. L. LUCAS,

M. A. POLLARD,

Committee.

The report of Committee on Superannuation was read by Rev. John Q. Pugh. While the report was pending, Rev. Joseph S. Loughran spoke to the report. He emphasized the importance of helping the aged ministers. The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION

When God lays hands upon an individual for the gospel ministry He claims him for his entire time. We need a ministry called of God, with an inclusive vision and with faith sufficient to trust those whom he serves to provide for his needs. However, with all of our faith and trust, and all the liberality of the Church, it often happens that the ministry of the Church is unable out of its meager receipts to provide adequately for itself—so much so that when there is a break in the line of service, and the break will come, the individual minister and his family are in need of assistance.

It should be the pleasure of our Church to provide the necessities of life for those of our ministry who are so unfortunate. We have some very needy cases that must be cared for. These brethren have served the Church faithfully and they are now looking to the Church for an expression of appreciation. We cannot afford to withhold this expression.

Your Committee, therefore, recommends:

1. That the churches of this Conference which have paid their Conference Apportionments in full be appreciatively commended for their cooperation and generous spirit.

2. That the churches of this Conference join in with churches of other Conferences of the Christian denomination throughout our territory in taking a Christmas offering for the benefit of our aged ministers and their families.

3. That the following names be continued on our list: W. N. Hayes, Mrs. G. R. Underwood, Mrs. L. W. Fogleman, Mrs. T. E. White and G. O. Lankford.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN Q. PUGH,

D. R. MOFFITT,

Committee.

Conference adjourned until Thursday morning at 9:30.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 9:30 by the President.

Quartet: "No Tears in Heaven," by Rev. H. V. Cox and his three daughters.

Rev. A. L. Lucas conducted the Devotional Service.

Minutes of previous day were read and approved.

Mrs. W. C. Russell, member of Asbury Baptist Church, was enrolled as a visitor.

President Brady appointed the Resolutions Committee as follows: W. P. Copeland, Cyrus Shoffner, W. H. Freeman.

Rev. F. C. Lester distributed some statistical reports that he had prepared from the reports of ministers and churches. He pointed out some of the interesting items in the reports.

Address: "Our Orphanage"—Superintendent Chas. D. Johnston.

Mr. Johnston told of the organization, purposes, achievements, and problems of our Elon Orphanage. The churches were urged to make a liberal "Thanksgiving Offering" to the orphanage.

Report of Committee on Religious Literature was read by Rev. D. R. Moffitt (in lieu of Rev. G. M. Tally).

While the report was pending Rev. F. C. Lester, our new Promotional Secretary, addressed the Conference. He brought greetings

from Col. J. E. West, Chairman of our Mission Board, who could not be present to deliver an address. Then he discussed some of the important problems of our Conference and offered his services in helping our pastors and churches solve their problems. Our Conference is asked to secure 325 subscriptions to *The Christian Sun* as its quota in a subscription campaign. The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

We would again this year remind our churches that the Bible is primarily a revelation of God, and is therefore from God. Its great purpose is to make God known, that man may be brought into communion with Him through the knowledge given.

The Bible, then, is a spiritual book and belongs to the spiritual realm. It stands absolutely by itself on this account. Its language, symbols, types, images, history, and poetry are all unique and belong to itself.

The Bible owes its origin entirely to the Spirit of God, and is His product, and was not in any way originated by man or men. It was impossible for any man to produce what is in it, for all is a matter of revelation. The teachings of our Bible require the help and power of the Holy Spirit. One of our greatest needs of today is a clear understanding of the way of salvation.

The Psalmist said in his Psalm 119:11, "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee." If people knew more of God's sayings, they would find themselves better shielded from Satan's attacks. People are "carried about with every wind of doctrine, and the cunning craftiness of men, whereby they lie in wait to deceive, simply because they do not have His word hid in their hearts."

The Bible, the Word of God, is the greatest literature of all times, and should form a large portion of the reading matter of every Christian. The literature of a home is incomplete without something that is of a religious nature. In John 5:39 God says, "Search the Scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life."

What has been our trouble for the last few years? We turned to political parties for help, and they have failed us. We put our trust in armies and they have failed us. We put our faith in education and that has failed. We put our faith in science, and it has turned to destroy us. May God help us as a people and nation to put our trust and faith in the arm of Jehovah God, and He will save us.

In II Chronicles 7:14 God says, "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

The crying need of all nations today is to know God "whom to know aright is life eternal" (John 17:3). Today we see on every hand the demand for light reading material and entertainment. But men of God must show the world that through the study and trust of His holy word all things are possible (Mark 9:23).

We, your Committee, recommend:

1. The prayerful and thoughtful reading of that perfect book, the Bible. There are other books which are uplifting and educational, but the Bible is second to none.

2. That every Christian set aside at least fifteen minutes daily for Bible study.

3. That Christian parents see that their children have an opportunity to read the Bible and other good literature in the home every day.

4. That we contribute to *The Christian Sun* in making our wants and wishes known, in order that we might have a better church paper.

5. That we subscribe to and read our church paper, *The Christian Sun*.

6. That we be very careful and select literature published by men who are sound in faith, and accept the Bible as God's inspired word.

G. M. TALLY,

D. R. MOFFITT,

Committee.

Quartette: "I Wonder"—by Rev. H. V. Cox and daughters.

Rev. M. A. Pollard reported for the Committee on Education. Motion made and seconded that report be adopted.

Address by Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College. Dr. Smith said that we need to get the right definition of education; that we need more young men to enter the gospel ministry. He related the part Elon College has made in the past forty-eight years in the field of Christian education, and reported how little the churches in this Conference had contributed to the college in the last two years. The churches were urged to be more liberal in their consideration of and contributions to Elon College. He told of the Golden Anniversary Campaign and of its importance to the college and to the denomination at large.

The report of Committee on Education was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

In seeking to arrive at a proper evaluation of the various interests and activities to which we give our thought and effort in our church life, too much well directed stress can scarcely be given in fostering a program of Christian education. By Christian education your committee has in mind that type of training which concerns itself primarily with the making and molding of life and character to fit as completely as possible into the plan and pattern of living as we find exhibited in Christ himself. While it is not out of place to give more emphasis to education as a means of making a living, it would seem more highly in place among the followers of Christ to lay stress upon education as a way of making a life, a life that is full of the riches of Christ, and will, withal, make itself felt in wholesomeness and righteousness in its impact upon the world. Indeed in our regard for education because of the earning capacity it may develop, let us not overlook the more vital learning capacity true education should impart to the higher and broader reaches of life toward which a Christian culture should point always with an unclouded and an unmistakable direction. The educational program with which your committee is most deeply concerned is one that has for its goal the bringing of men to any experimental knowledge of the Christ way of life, the Christianizing of all the relationships between groups, races, and nations, and the building of a Christian world.

A central force and agency in the educational and cultural growth of this area of our Congregational and Christian Churches is available to us through Elon College and the work this institution is endeavoring to do. This educational agency, as is widely known, had its birth in the yearning of earnest hearts for a trained leadership in our churches, and from its beginning has been maintained by love and sacrifice, and at this time is able to look back upon almost fifty years of worthy history and commendable achievement. Her contribution to the life and progress of the Church during the past half century has been of incalculable worth. In the light of what this productive enterprise has done during the past and because of what it is doing in the present toward the making of a trained, efficient, and consecrated leadership in the field of Christian service, your committee is of the earnest opinion that the entire membership of our churches in the area served by the college, and many

others in still wider areas of our fellowship, should feel challenged anew to come to the prayerful, cooperative, constructive support of this indispensable factor in the cultural and spiritual uplift and enlargement of our people. We would suggest very earnestly that this support should be given in a measure commensurate with the needs of the institution and in a worthy recognition of the far-reaching service she is rendering.

Your committee, therefore, feels amply justified in calling upon this Conference in behalf of an increasing loyalty to the college, with your patronage, your prayers, and your material gifts. We wish to bring to your attention the Golden Anniversary Campaign that is now being set forth for the purpose of raising a fund of \$150,000 with which to clear away all existing indebtedness by commencement in 1940, at which time the fiftieth anniversary of the college's organization is to be fittingly commemorated. We urge upon everyone your whole-hearted, generous, and, if need be, your sacrificial cooperation in this most worthy and imperative undertaking.

We would like also to stress the importance and value of another vital agency in our fellowship that is striving to have a share in the building of a finer and more capable brotherhood for a constructive service in the Kingdom of God among men. The agency to which reference is made is the Board of Christian Education and the work this Board is undertaking to do, particularly among the youth of the Church. This youth movement and the other various leadership training activities which are sponsored by the Board should, we feel, appeal strongly to all our people, and these activities are highly worthy and deeply in need of the united support of our churches. We heartily commend the Board and its work, and urge upon the ministry and the laity of the Conference your whole-hearted cooperation and support of this agency for the growth and development of a more comprehensive program of Christian service in our various fields of endeavor.

Time and space on this Conference program do not permit the mention of the many agencies for our spiritual growth that we should like to stress. We do, however, desire to give strong and definite emphasis to the diligent reading and study of the Holy Scriptures as basic to the Christian life and as a foundation upon which every phase of our church life and service should rest. We feel that no educational program is complete, and that no activity is properly grounded unless these things are undergirded by a spiritual understanding and appreciation of the Word of God. We would also urgently call upon the people of this Conference to give themselves to a planned program of regular attendance upon and a thoughtful participation in the worship services of our churches, to exercise themselves wherever possible in the establishing and maintaining of family worship and prayer, and to make full and purposeful use of the many means and agencies of spiritual growth that are available to us. And in all our ways may we acknowledge Him who has promised to direct our path, bearing in mind with an increasing conviction that the only hope for the Church in rising to her rightful place of conquest in our modern world is in the fearless and faithful following of Jesus Christ who bids us one and all to take upon ourselves His yoke and learn through Him the only way to that life and service that will accomplish those things to which we are called as His disciples and as the servants of His will.

The Randleman Christian Church recommended Harold Lowman to this Conference for license to preach. We find that he has pending now his application for licensure with the North Carolina and Virginia Conference. We find it necessary therefore to leave this matter in the hands of that Conference.

The Church at Pleasant Grove recommends to this Committee the name of Brother Lacy Presnell for your consideration for his licensure. And a similar recommendation comes to the Committee from Pleasant Ridge Church for Brother Glen Graven.

We recommend that they be admitted to the Biblical Class; that they enter at the earliest date possible upon the Course of Study outlined by the Govern-

ment and Principles of our Church preparatory to their licensure; that this Course be diligently pursued during the year, and that they report to this Committee a year from this date for further consideration and for such action and decision as may be found expedient at that time.

Respectfully submitted,

G. O. LANKFORD,
H. V. COX,
M. A. POLLARD,
T. J. GREEN,

Committee.

On motion Conference adjourned for lunch.

Benediction by Rev. F. C. Lester.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:30.

Hymn: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus."

Devotional Service by Rev. D. R. Moffitt.

The report of Committee on Ministerial and Church Ethics was submitted by Rev. T. J. Green. Motion made and seconded that report be adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL AND CHURCH ETHICS.

We believe in a God-called ministry, and recognize it as being God's way of getting his message across to the children of men; hence, any who occupy the pulpit should realize its sacredness and keep themselves unspotted from the world. He who regards iniquity in his own heart is entirely unworthy to occupy the sacred pulpit.

We recommend, therefore:

1. That ministers so conduct themselves in deed and word that their lives may be exemplary, so that the Gospel may be magnified, the pulpit exalted, and God be glorified.
2. That in social and business life the minister be careful to keep all obligations; especially he must not make financial obligations beyond his ability to meet.
3. That church and pastor be careful who occupies their pulpit, maintaining loyalty to each other and to the Conference, also cooperating together to bring about the formation of pastorates.

T. J. GREEN,
G. O. LANKFORD,

Committee.

Address: "Rural Pastorates"—by Rev. F. C. Lester.

W. H. Freeman discussed the report. The report was adopted.

Mrs. Hugh R. York, district leader, reported on the Woman's Missionary Conference and the report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF NORTH CAROLINA WOMEN'S CONFERENCE OF WOMEN'S MISSIONARY CONVENTION OF CONGRE- GATIONAL AND CHRISTIAN CHURCHES.

The meeting of the Annual North Carolina Women's Conference met with Parks Cross Roads Church, Ramseur, N. C., Route No. 2 (Ramseur and Parks Cross Roads being joint hostesses) on Tuesday, October 4, 1938, for its Twenty-Sixth Session. The attendance, fellowship, and hospitality were splendid. The program for the day was: "Till We All Attain"; a truly inspiring day it was.

A message from Mrs. Mildred H. Hess of American College, Madura, India, who gave illustrations in dress of Indian women and showed pictures representing the great wave of nationalism sweeping their country, among many other things she told us about, was very fine indeed.

Our beloved Dr. Atkinson could not be with us, but his message, "Seeking to Attain," was read and greatly appreciated for we knew that he was with us in spirit.

The worship service conducted by Mrs. F. C. Lester, the memorial candle-lighting service by Mrs. R. O. Caviness, and the offering solo by Mrs. D. J. Bowden were also very fine.

Special recognition was given to the former presidents: Mrs. W. H. Carroll (deceased), Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Mrs. Stanley Harrell, Mrs. O. H. Paris. Those present were given corsages, as were also the presidents of societies reaching the Standard of Excellence.

District and departmental reports showed faithful stewardship and great courage.

Reports from 47 women's societies, 10 young people's societies, 6 willing workers societies, and 7 cradle rolls were received by our treasurer. The number is not quite so good as last year. Let us not be weary in well doing. We have so many churches without missionary societies of any kind. We should try for more missionary societies in our churches. The total amount received from these societies was \$3,896.62.

Our next conference will be held at Ingram, Va., in 1939.

MRS. HUGH R. YORK,
Randolph District Leader.

The report of Committee on Home Missions was read by Geo. T. Gunter (for T. J. Green).

Motion made and seconded that report be adopted. The report was discussed by Rev. F. C. Lester and Rev. H. V. Cox.

The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Missions is the great business of the Church of Jesus Christ. We who claim to be Christians must be about our Lord and Master's business. We must be Missionary or we cease to be Christian. There is no bugle call for retreat in the Church Militant. God has commanded us to go forward. That command still stands. We must obey or forfeit our right to be called His followers.

While not underestimating the importance of Foreign Missions, the unusual conditions in America are a challenge to the Church. While our Heavenly Father has blessed our nation the past two years with a bountiful harvest, and our banks are filled with money, yet there are from ten to twelve million people unemployed and many begging for bread. American leadership in business, finance, and statesmanship has utterly failed to prevent this national crisis and the nation must look to the Church for a solution of these unsolved problems.

This situation is not one of man to man, nor of party to party; it is a situation between mankind and God. There seems to be a determined spirit in the world to function apart from any recognition of God and our Christ, and this attitude is going to bring God upon our nation with purging and purifying judgments. The Christian Church should take the lead in this great Mission Program in trying to bring our nation back to God and to the recognition of His great leadership. The ministers of the Church must proclaim with even greater emphasis the Virgin Birth, the deity of Christ, His atoning sacrifice on the Cross, His resurrection and ascension, and the need of the power of the Holy Spirit.

A spiritual revival is our crying need. Our sacred institutions are threatened. The principles of sound government are flouted. Powerful foes of righteousness are multiplying. Our youth is in great danger. Unchastity, intemperance, atheism, and infidelity are sweeping with ruinous force through our nation. This is no time for the clergy of our land to "rest on the oars" and say, "Peace! Peace!" when there is no peace. It is rather a time when they need to "cry aloud and spare not and show my people their sins," and the way back to Almighty God.

We, your Committee on Home Missions, recommend:

1. That Spoon's Chapel be appropriated \$100.00 on their new church.
2. That Bennett and Flint Hill (Moore Co.) receive from the Home Mission funds \$1.00 for every dollar raised by the churches as payment on pastor's salary, not to exceed \$50.00 in each instance.
3. That \$200.00 of Home Mission money be set aside to be used at the discretion of the Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. GREEN,
H. V. Cox,

Committee.

Rev. Thomas Alfred Tripp delivered an inspiring address, using for his subject: "The Effective Rural Church."

Rev. A. L. Lucas submitted the report of Committee on Evangelism. The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

It is the mission of the Church of Christ to make Jesus known for He is the truth and light of the world. We live in an age of unrest and insecurity. We need a faith that will keep us secure. The supreme cravings of humanity have been gathered up in the desire for a better and fuller life. It is the business and privilege of the ministry to make Jesus known, who is the way and the truth and life, that He may become our daily helper.

Jesus said, "I am come that they might have life. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you." So the writer of the Fourth Gospel, after Christianity had had an experience of men for perhaps 100 years, set down its influence. Power, Peace, Joy—these are what the way of Jesus imparts to all who love and trust Him.

Someone has said of the faith of the early Church, "The ministry was dead to the world." We need to dedicate ourselves anew to this task.

We recommend:

1. Our program should be well-planned. It should be full of worship material for study and instruction and practice, which includes the whole group. It is the business of the Church and ministry to meet all human needs, both in and out of the Church.
2. The churches provide a continuous program, with an evangelistic approach through the whole year rather than at intervals. The evangelist must be a living example of Christ in the world.
3. The Church must keep in mind always its duty to the poor, the unfortunate, and the sick.

Respectfully submitted,

B. H. LOWDERMILK,
A. L. LUCAS,

Committee.

The report of Committee on Apportionments was presented by Cyrus Shoffner. The report was discussed by Dr. L. E. Smith, Cyrus Shoffner, Rev. Carl F. Key, Rev. J. W. Patton, and Rev. E. Carl Brady.

The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We, your Committee on Apportionments, recommend that the apportionments for the churches be as follows:

Antioch (C)	\$35.00
Antioch (R)	30.00
Bailey's Grove	30.00
Bennett	35.00
Big Oak	50.00
Biscoe	27.50
Brown's Chapel	50.00
Ether	40.00
Flint Hill (M)	50.00
Flint Hill (R)	25.00
Grace's Chapel	40.00
Graham	25.00
Graham, Providence Memorial	50.00
Hamlet	10.00
High Point, First	50.00
High Point, E. Green	10.00
Liberty	25.00
Mt. Pleasant	25.00
Needham's Grove	25.00
New Center	50.00
Parks Cross Roads	80.00
Patterson's Grove	30.00
Pleasant Cross	45.00
Pleasant Grove	85.00
Pleasant Hill	85.00
Pleasant Ridge	85.00
Pleasant Union	25.00
Providence Chapel	10.00
Ramseur	80.00
Randleman	55.00
Seagrove	45.00
Shady Grove	25.00
Shiloh	50.00
Smithwood	50.00
Sophia	50.00
Spoon's Chapel	25.00
Union Grove	50.00
Zion	50.00

CYRUS SHOFFNER,
A. L. LUCAS,
W. H. FREEMAN,
Committee.

The report of O. D. Lawrence, the Treasurer, was read by W. H. Freeman, as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1937.

Nov. 10. Bal. in treasury	\$ 66.39
Nov. 10-11. Collections from churches.....	804.36
Total collections	<u>\$870.75</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

1937.

Nov. 11. To O. D. Lawrence, Treasurer.....	\$ 5.00
Nov. 15. To Geo. T. Gunter, Secretary, salary, etc.	30.40

1938.

Jan. 4. J. O. Atkinson, Home Missions.....	350.00
Jan. 4. To J. O. Atkinson, Superannuation.....	174.15
Jan. 4. To L. L. Vaughan, Treas., So. Chr. Conv.....	146.00
Mar. 25. To Central Publishing Co., Annuals.....	98.00
Mar. 29. To Geo. T. Gunter, postage, etc.....	5.20

Total disbursements \$808.75

Balance in treasury \$ 62.00

O. D. LAWRENCE, *Treas.*,
Seagrove, N. C.

W. H. Freeman, acting treasurer, read a letter from our veteran treasurer in which he expressed his regret at not being able to attend Conference and he also tendered his resignation as Treasurer because of ill health. His resignation was accepted and W. H. Freeman was elected Treasurer.

The report of Treasurer was made by W. H. Freeman and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Balance (check from O. D. Lawrence)	\$ 62.00
Collections during Conference	926.89
Total in treasury	<u>\$988.89</u>

W. H. FREEMAN,
Treasurer.

The report of Committee on Finance was submitted by Cyrus Shoffner and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and find same correct.

CYRUS SHOFFNER,
A. L. LUCAS,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on Memoirs was given by Rev. M. A. Pollard. Motion made and seconded that report be adopted.

Address by Rev. Joseph S. Loughran, who spoke on the "Debt of Honor Campaign." An offering was taken for this worthy cause and the amount received was \$9.61, for which Mr. Loughran sincerely thanked the Conference.

The report of Committee on Memoirs was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

The only death among the ministry of our Conference during the year was that of Rev. T. E. White.

Rev. T. E. White, a beloved minister of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference, passed to his reward during the past summer. He was a faithful minister of the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He was among our first missionaries to Porto Rico and endeared himself to those to whom he ministered. He was not a great orator, he was not a great executive, but he achieved distinction, and secured and held recognition, by faithful performance of duty. He showed consecrated loyalty to idealism in practice by preaching plainly and courageously the Gospel from the pulpit and by living it in his daily life. From time to time he was president of this Conference, which he dearly loved and served faithfully unto the end. Brother White was held in high regard wherever he was known, and loved sincerely by the people who knew him. He aspired to, and we think realized in abundance, the inner satisfactions of the Kingdom of Christ.

After a long and loving service to the Master and his Church, whom he loved and served without reservation, death came to find him ready. We lament his going, miss his fellowship and loving service, and feel keenly our loss. We bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well. As a token of heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family, we ask that our secretary be instructed to write a letter of condolence to them.

~ Respectfully submitted,

M. A. POLLARD,
H. V. COX,
JOHN Q. PUGH,
D. R. MOFFITT,

Committee.

The report of Committee on Resolutions was read by W. P. Copeland and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

We, your Committee on Resolutions, feel this a profitable and inspirational session of Conference. Therefore, we recommend:

1. That we express by a rising vote of thanks our appreciation of the kindness and hospitality of Pleasant Grove Church and community.
2. That we thank the Program Committee and the presidents, Rev. E. Carl Brady and Rev. M. A. Pollard, and all who had a part in carrying out the same. Especially the visiting speakers; also the visiting ministers.
3. We recommend that our Conference adopt the plan of increasing the circulation of *The Christian Sun* by assigning each church a quota as recom-

mended by our Promotional Secretary, and that the President appoint a committee for carrying out same.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. COPELAND,
CYRUS SHOFFNER,
W. H. FREEMAN,
Committee.

A rising vote of thanks was given Pleasant Grove Church for so royally entertaining this session of Conference.

Rev. B. H. Lowdermilk, reporting orally for Committee on Place, stated this his Committee recommends that our next Conference meet at Brown's Chapel.

On motion the report was adopted and our next Conference meets at Brown's Chapel, in Moore County, Near Hemp.

Motion made and carried that our Minutes be printed in the ANNUAL and that we purchase 200 copies for distribution on a pro rata basis.

Motion made and carried that the Treasurer pay the following items for current expenses: The Secretary (for services), \$25.00; the Treasurer (for services), \$5.00; the bill for postage, programs, and ANNUALS.

The President appointed the following Committees to decide the quota of *Christian Sun* subscriptions for each of our churches: Cyrus Shoffner, W. H. Freeman, and Glenn Craven.

The president appointed the following Standing Committees for the coming year:

Executive Committee—Revs. E. C. Brady, G. O. Lankford, T. J. Green.

Home Missions—Revs. T. J. Green, H. V. Cox, J. M. Allred.

Foreign Missions—Revs. M. A. Pollard, A. L. Lucas, G. M. Tally.

Religious Literature—Revs. G. M. Tally, J. M. Allred, D. R. Moffitt.

Education—Dr. G. O. Lankford, Revs. M. A. Pollard, T. J. Green, H. V. Cox, J. U. Fogleman.

Evangelism—Revs. H. V. Cox, J. M. Allred, B. H. Lowdermilk.

Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor—Geo. T. Gunter, Alva Ashley, Henry Overman.

Social Service—Revs. A. L. Lucas, M. A. Pollard, J. U. Fogleman.

Apportionments—Cyrus Shoffner, I. H. Faust, W. H. Freeman.

Superannuation—Revs. John Q. Pugh, D. R. Moffitt, and P. E. Coble.

Program—Revs. E. C. Brady and T. J. Green, and Geo. T. Gunter.

Ministerial and Church Ethics—Revs. T. J. Green and G. O. Lankford, and W. H. Freeman.

Minutes of the day were read and approved.

Appropriate final remarks were made by President Brady, concerning this session of Conference and our work for the coming year.

Motion made and carried that we adjourn to meet on Wednesday after the first Sunday in November, 1939 at 10 o'clock A. M., in Brown's Chapel Christian Church, near Hemp, in Moore County.

Hymn: "Blest Be the Tie."

Benediction by Harold Loman.

E. CARL BRADY, *President*,
Hemp, N. C.

GEO. T. GUNTER, *Secretary*,
Asheboro, N. C.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

John M. Allred—No report because of illness.

E. Carl Brady—Churches: Brown's Chapel, Mt. Pleasant, Needham's Grove, Pleasant Cross; sermons 50; conversions, 23; members received, 17; baptisms, 8; visits 200; marriages, 1; funerals, 8.

H. V. Cox—Churches: Hamlet and Bennett; sermons, 50; conversions, 25; members received, 2; funerals, 3; salary, \$259.46.

W. J. Edwards—Churches: East Green, High Point; sermons, 50; addresses, 1; conversions, several; members received, several; baptisms, several; visits, several; marriages, 1; funerals, 3.

J. U. Fogleman—Churches: Providence Memorial and Concord; sermons, 21; conversions, 2; members received, 2; salary, \$227.00.

Edward F. Green (Retired).

T. J. Green—Church: Pleasant Grove; sermons, 25; conversions, 10; visits, 50; marriages, 2; funerals, 9; salary, \$200.00.

G. C. Lankford (disabled physically)—Sermons, 3; addresses, 21; visits, 75; marriages, 6; funerals, 5.

B. H. Lowdermilk—Churches: Pleasant Union, Spoon's Chapel; sermons, 85; addresses, 3; conversions, 38; members received, 5; baptisms, 2; visits, 60; marriages, 5; funerals, 19; salary, \$194.55.

A. L. Lucas—Churches: Providence Chapel and Paterson's Grove; sermons, 325; addresses, 5; members received, 6; visits, 100; marriages, 2; funerals, 7; salary, \$200.00.

W. C. Martin—(No charge)—Sermons, several; conversions, several; members received, 16; baptisms, 18; visits, several; marriages, 1; funerals, 2.

D. R. Moffitt—(No charge)—Sermons, 28; marriages, 1; funerals, 2.

M. A. Pollard—Churches: Palm Street since June. Served Liberty, Smithwood and Pleasant Hill for half-year; sermons, 118; conversions, 7; members received, 7; visits, 519; marriages, 4; funerals, 17; salary, \$900.00.

John Q. Pugh—Churches: New Center, Bailey's Grove; sermons, 75; addresses, 5; conversions, 74; members received, 10; baptisms, 10; visits, many; marriages, 1; funerals, 5; salary, \$146.00.

Geo. M. Tally—Churches: Ramseur, Park's Cross Roads, Shiloh, Seagrove, Big Oak, Christian Chapel, Moore's Union, Antioch (R); sermons, 253; conversions, 142; members received, 45; baptisms, 43; visits, many; marriages, 6; funerals, 31; salary, \$1,356.73.

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CHURCH STATISTICS—WESTERN

CHURCH	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.	Conference Apportionment.	Paid on Conference Apportionment.
Antioch (C).....	L. L. Wyrick.....		90	88	\$ 35.00	.....
Antioch (R).....	G. M. Tally.....	Mrs. Annie Cain, Ramseur, R. 1.....	71	75	30.00	30.00
Bailey's Grove.....	B. H. Lowdermilk.....	Mrs. C. S. Allred, Randleman, R. 2.....	39	41	30.00	\$ 9.45
Bennett.....	H. V. Cox.....	L. M. Murray, Bennett.....	21	20	35.00	18.70
Big Oak.....	G. M. Tally.....	D. E. Cole, Biscoe.....	145	145	50.00	42.04
Biscoe.....	J. M. Allred.....	W. C. Martin, Biscoe.....	37	51	27.50	15.75
Brown's Chapel.....	E. Carl Brady.....	Mrs. Iola McDuffie, Spies.....	223	227	50.00	22.85
Ether.....	E. Carl Brady.....	Mrs. C. C. Phillips, Ether.....	98	97	40.00	15.00
Flint Hill (M).....	T. J. Green.....	Mrs. John Staley, Star.....	36	36	15.00	15.00
Flint Hill (R).....	D. M. Spence.....	Miss Lola Farlow, Sophia, R. 1.....	42	38	40.00	15.00
Glendon.....					50.00	.....
Grace's Chapel.....	J. A. Denton.....	Mrs. Ralph Foushee, Sanford, R. 1.....	184	212	40.00	37.00
Graham.....	J. L. Foster.....	J. D. Kernodle, Graham.....	24	15	50.00	5.00
Graham-Prov.-Mem.....	Duane Vore.....	Mrs. Ella A. Holt, Graham.....	57	58	50.00	11.00
Hamlet.....	H. V. Cox.....	Eva Mae Millikin, Hamlet.....	35	35	10.00	10.00
Hank's Chapel.....	J. L. Mann.....	Ralph Riddle, Pittsboro.....	168	175	80.00	.....
High Point (First).....	D. M. Spence.....	Miss Velna Dorsett, 339 Ennis St, H. Pt.....	92	110	50.00	.....
High Point (E. Gr'n).....			22	.....	10.00	.....
Liberty.....		C. L. Bray, Liberty.....	27	40	25.00	25.00
Mt. Pleasant..... T. E.	White, E. C. Brady.....	Z. V. Brooks, Cameron, R. 2.....	82	85	25.00	9.21
Needham's Grove.....	E. Carl Brady.....	W. W. Ritter, Steeds, R. 1.....	94	94	25.00	25.00
New Center.....	J. Q. Pugh.....	Mrs. L. B. Craven, Seagrove.....	45	86	50.00	8.87
Parks Cross Roads.....	G. M. Talley.....	W. R. Rightsell, Ramseur, R. 2.....	175	189	80.00	80.00
Patterson's Grove.....			37	.....	30.00	.....
Pleasant Cross.....	E. Carl Brady.....	John Q. Pugh, Asheboro, R. 1.....	89	97	45.00	15.53
Pleasant Grove.....	T. J. Green.....	J. M. Brown, Bennett.....	308	304	85.00	32.40
Pleasant Hill.....	J. F. Apple.....	Paul E. Coble, Liberty, R. 2.....	202	203	85.00	61.42
Pleasant Ridge.....	J. F. Apple.....	O. C. Brown, Ramseur, R. 1.....	163	162	85.00	85.00
Pleasant Union.....	B. H. Lowdermilk.....	Mrs. A. R. McDowell, Jackson Creek.....	37	38	25.00	5.00
Providence Chapel.....	A. L. Lucas.....	Jason Moore, Hemp.....	39	45	10.00	.....
Ramseur.....	G. M. Tally.....	Mrs. Sue Grimes, Ramseur.....	129	122	80.00	80.00
Randleman.....	J. M. Allred.....	W. G. Lamb, Randleman.....	89	117	55.00	55.00
Seagrove.....	G. M. Tally.....	Mrs. Lena Flenniken, Seagrove.....	54	55	45.00	45.00
Shady Grove.....	J. M. Allred.....	Mrs. W. T. Shankle, Ether.....	76	84	35.00	8.12
Shiloh.....	G. M. Tally.....	Mrs. E. P. Boroughs, Ramseur, R. 1.....	120	117	50.00	50.00
Smithwood.....		Thomas B. Low, Liberty, R. 1.....	160	173	50.00	29.53
Sophia.....	D. M. Spence.....	Troy Hall, Sophia.....	60	62	50.00	16.00
Spoon's Chapel.....	B. H. Lowdermilk.....	Miss Mabel Ingold, Asheboro.....	32	34	25.00	.....
Union Grove.....	J. M. Allred.....	W. R. Brown, Asheboro, R. 1.....	113	108	50.00	50.00
Zion.....					50.00	.....
Totals.....			3515	3638	\$1152.50	\$ 927.85

*Includes payment on church debt. in order of reference: \$71.00, \$77.95, \$100.86, and \$395.00.

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Amount Raised for Home Missions.	Amount Raised for Foreign Missions.	Amount Raised for Elon Orphanage.	Amount Raised for Elon College.	Amount Raised for Superannuation.	Amount Raised for Other Benevolences.	Amount Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Amount Paid on Other Expenses.	Sunday School Current Expenses.	Amount Paid for Improvements.	Grand Total.	Value of Church Property.
\$ 10.00							\$ 18.20	\$ 10.65		\$ 38.85	
.....	\$ 5.00					\$ 80.00		22.04	\$ 58.00	165.04	\$ 800.00
.....	5.00	\$ 3.44				61.70	26.27		11.69	112.55	1,000.00
.....	6.21	2.00				79.98		14.00	75.00	165.98	2,500.00
.....						150.00		1000.00		1,198.25	
.....	12.05	21.28	\$ 4.85			65.00	92.00	31.13		188.13	4,700.00
5.15								19.00			1,500.00
19.02	19.02	23.45				75.07	20.00	19.75		191.31	450.00
10.29		12.68	1.04			48.05	44.00	19.61	1.86	152.53	500.00
.....	1.00			\$ 2.00		34.69	*71.00	14.00	80.24	217.93	2,500.00
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.....	10.00	37.20				225.00	150.00	140.82	52.00	567.82	5,000.00
3.90	3.90	4.69				48.25	4.32	12.45		82.51	2,000.00
5.00					10.00	142.22	56.60		25.00	223.82	
.....		36.13				84.11	*97.95			228.19	
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31.43		43.14				200.00	50.00		50.00		3,000.00
.....		15.00				200.00	*141.86		533.33	789.33	2,250.00
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16.84	16.84	32.36	11.55			198.24		49.54	146.28	496.65	3,000.00
3.28	5.18	15.41	2.24	2.61		110.00	18.00	15.50		181.43	3,000.00
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5.65	5.65	21.71						59.44			
.....	2.50				3.20	83.63	80.00	13.66			700.00
7.50	7.50	5.46		6.00	13.86	207.00	37.96		69.00	354.28	4,000.00
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.....	12.18	19.00				115.00	17.76	88.03	300.78	567.68	2,400.00
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102.23		78.00	11.58		50.00	200.00		114.17			
28.21	28.21	63.22		6.69	42.03	263.57	36.00	125.90	600.00	1,328.60	3,000.00
.....						366.89	161.04		195.00	871.38	3,000.00
.....						90.18	21.20			111.38	1,000.00
.....				2.00		100.00			7.00	109.00	1,500.00
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.....	92.29	98.62				300.00	103.98	19.27		614.16	
10.00	7.25	25.00				172.00	258.22			700.22	3,000.00
14.19		32.00		4.73	11.88	150.00	43.88	27.23	1.00	339.91	3,000.00
.....		5.75			40.00	30.00	16.83		3.50	131.20	1,000.00
20.34		14.78		3.15		150.00	35.00	37.45	3.42	314.14	1,000.00
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.....		20.45				207.39	93.92	32.00		353.76	6,500.00
.....	1.61			3.49	22.00	56.62	14.62	37.27	71.56	207.75	1,500.00
.....		10.70			12.00	86.22	*395.00			526.62	
7.40		16.25				101.00	32.90		294.18	503.98	1,500.00
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\$ 300.43	\$ 241.39	\$ 657.72	\$ 31.26	\$ 28.67	\$ 204.97	\$4481.81	\$2148.51	\$ 922.91	\$3578.24	\$12,044.38	\$65,300.00

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—WESTERN N. C. CONFERENCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. on Cradle Roll.	No. of Pupils.	Total Enrollment.	Total Amount Raised.
Antioch (C.).....	Mrs. Carl Rives, Bear Creek, R. 2...	9	69	13	91	\$ 10.65
Antioch (R.).....	G. K. Needham, Seagrove, R. 1.....	7	100	...	107	37.49
Bailey's Grove.....	Fred Smith, Asheboro, R. 1.....	6	66	...	72	40.00
Bennett.....	J. C. Phillips, Bennett.....	6	35	...	41	21.00
Big Oak.....	D. E. Cole, Biscoe.....	7	100	19	126	100.87
Biscoe.....	J. A. McNeill, Biscoe.....	7	93	...	100	31.13
Brown's Chapel.....	J. W. H. Moore, Hemp.....	6	44	10	60	19.00
Ether.....	W. H. Freeman, Ether.....	5	40	...	45	66.44
Flint Hill (M.).....	Carson Williams, Star.....	6	60	...	66	19.61
Flint Hill (R.).....	Walter R. Lanier, Sophia, R. 1.....	7	30	5	42	23.26
Grace's Chapel.....	A. C. Farrell, Sanford, R. 1.....	10	220	...	230	126.54
Graham.....	J. D. Kernodle, Graham.....	5	12	...	17	38.67
Graham Prov. Mem.....	Robert Russell, Graham.....	10	125	...	135	97.48
Hamlet (East).....	H. McDuffie, Hamlet.....	7	51	...	58	70.97
Hanks' Chapel.....	H. C. Farrell, Pittsboro, R. 1.....	9	95	...	104	158.73
High Point First.....	W. R. Bray, 334 Ennis St., H. Point.....	13	108	14	135	...
Liberty.....	C. L. Bray, Liberty.....	9	66	...	75	127.13
Mt. Pleasant.....	A. McKay, Cameron, R. 2.....	7	64	...	71	33.24
Needham's Grove.....	W. W. Ritter, Steeds, R. 1.....	8	127	...	135	59.44
New Center.....	A. L. Davis, Seagrove.....	6	23	...	29	14.67
Parks' Cross Roads.....	Ray H. Rightsell, Ramseur, R. 2.....	...	130	16	146	125.00
Pleasant Cross.....	D. G. Craven, Franklinville, R. 1.....	8	89	...	97	39.03
Pleasant Grove.....	M. E. Jones, Bennett.....	8	148	...	156	114.17
Pleasant Hill.....	W. D. Hinshaw, Liberty, R. 2.....	13	197	25	235	281.12
Pleasant Ridge.....	Sybrant Pell, Ramseur, R. 1.....	14	121	10	145	208.35
Pleasant Union.....	Clarence Snider, Asheboro.....	7	72	...	79	...
Providence Chapel.....	Mrs. Jason Moore, Hemp.....	...	...	...	...	...
Ramseur.....	E. A. Cox, Ramseur.....	19	121	10	150	280.82
Randleman.....	O. G. Robbins, Randleman.....	8	142	...	150	215.00
Seagrove.....	O. D. Lawrence, Seagrove.....	6	58	...	64	64.11
Shady Grove.....	B. B. Martin, Troy.....	4	50	4	58	25.00
Shiloh.....	E. C. Beane, Ramseur, R. 1.....	7	93	7	107	62.07
Smithwood.....	Thos. B. Low, Liberty, R. 1.....	9	128	...	137	69.47
Sophia.....	L. P. Hayes, Sophia.....	6	79	...	85	50.22
Spoon's Chapel.....	Mrs. Mary J. Smith, Asheboro, R. 1.....	6	70	...	76	49.90
Union Grove.....	Walton Brown, Asheboro, Star Rt.....	7	103	...	110	72.00
Totals.....	.....	272	3,129	133	3,534	\$ 2,806.58

Proceedings of the One Hundred Thirteenth Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

BURLINGTON CHRISTIAN CHURCH, BURLINGTON, N. C.
NOVEMBER 15-17, 1938.

The One Hundred and Thirteenth Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches met with the Burlington Christian Church on Tuesday, November 15, 1938, and was called to order at 10:00 A. M., by the President, Rev. G. C. Crutchfield.

Prayer led by Rev. B. J. Earp.

The roll of Ministers and Churches was called and a quorum found present.

The complete enrollment for the sessions was as follows:

Ministers—Revs. J. F. Apple, D. J. Bowden, J. S. Carden, G. C. Crutchfield, B. J. Earp, O. A. Elmore, Stanley C. Harrell, W. M. Jay, J. H. Lightbourne, C. L. Moody, J. L. Neesse, C. E. Newman, J. U. Newman, J. Howard Smith, D. M. Spence, W. M. Stevens, G. H. Veazey, W. E. Wisseman, and L. L. Wyrick.

Licentiates—Melvin Dollar, E. J. Sanderson, I. T. Underwood, and D. N. Vore.

Churches and Delegates.

Albemarle—Alfred G. Plyler, Mrs. O. A. Elmore.

Apple's Chapel—Newman Andrews, Mrs. R. E. Apple, Mrs. John Troutman.

Asheville—Rev. Samuel M. Johnson, Miss Lucy Hopson.

Belew Creek—Mrs. J. G. Neal, Jr., I. M. Neal.

Berea—J. M. Sharpe, Mrs. W. L. Iseley.

Bethel—By letter.

Bethlehem—Miss Ida Simpson, James E. Wilkins, A. C. Madren, W. L. Gilliam.

Burlington—Mrs. W. R. Sellars, V. R. Holt, Egbert Truitt, E. B. Rascoe, Mrs. C. C. Fonville.

Carolina—Mrs. Lule Boggs, Mrs. Cora Dickey.

Concord—Mrs. Onzo Reagan, J. T. Allred, Mrs. W. R. Simmons.

Danville—By letter.

Durham—Dr. W. Waldo Boone, (ex-officio), Mrs. Robert S. Smith, Mrs. D. M. Estes, W. P. Perry, Dr. W. H. Boone.

Elk Spur—By letter.

Elon College—J. C. McAdams, Mrs. W. P. Lawrence, Geo. D. Colclough, Mrs. E. B. Huffines, C. D. Johnston.

Greensboro, First—H. V. Simpson, Mrs. C. H. Rowland, J. A. May, Mrs. Lura Boggs, Mrs. W. E. Wisseman.

Greensboro, Palm Street—Mrs. A. J. Harris, Mrs. W. E. Hinshaw, Mrs. W. F. Worsham, Mrs. Anna Smith.

Happy Home—R. W. Powell, Mrs. I. F. Dye.

Haw River—Mrs. Rosa Phillips, Miss Mary A. Thomas, Miss Emma Thomas.

Hebron—By letter.

Hines' Chapel—Holt R. Gerringer, Mrs. R. W. Wyrick, Mrs. R. W. Iseley.

Howard's Chapel—Mrs. W. H. Braeme.

Ingram—Mrs. C. V. Dunn, Mrs. W. J. Whitlow, Mrs. G. I. Satterfield, G. I. Satterfield.

Ivy Hill—By letter.

Kallams Grove—By letter.

Lebanon—By letter.

Liberty—H. W. Tuck, Mrs. Elsie Bray.

Long's Chapel—Mrs. J. Walter Johnston, Mrs. J. A. Wyatte.

Lynchburg—W. T. Dunn, Rev. Edwin J. Hopkins, Mrs. W. W. Webb, J. F. Reeves.

Monticello—J. E. Cumbie, Mrs. J. E. Cumbie.

Mt. Bethel—Mrs. Hampton Wilson, Miss Louise Gourley, Mrs. L. P. Rippy.

Mt. Zion—Hal Tate, Ervin Tate, Zeb H. Lynch.

New Hope—No report.

New Lebanon—J. I. Sharpe, Mrs. R. E. McCollum, Mrs. Mollie Sharpe, Mrs. P. R. Griffin.

Pleasant Grove—Miss Marie Henderson, Miss Lizzie Boyd, Miss Grace Farmer, Mrs. F. I. McDowell.

Pleasant Ridge—Mrs. Henry Robinson, Claude V. Higgins, H. L. Robinson.

Reidsville—E. J. Morris, D. H. Haizlip, Mrs. C. W. Geringer, Mrs. Ed Mitchell.

Rocky Ford—By letter.

Salem Chapel—Miss Frankye Marshall, H. V. Marshall, C. M. Marshall, Will Strader.

Salisbury—No report.

Shallow Ford—Mr and Mrs. W. E. Walker, Mrs. O. B. Pitts, Samuel Barber.

Tryon, Erskine Memorial—Rev. C. Arthur Lincoln.

Union (N. C.)—Mrs. Lacy Hooper, Mrs. A. H. Blalock, W. L. Rascoe, Wilson Graham, Jr., J. R. Walker.

Union (Va.)—Mrs. Kinnie Gravitt, Mrs. C. E. Newman, Arthur Tuck, R. W. Glascock.

Winston-Salem—By letter.

Words of Welcome, Mr. Vitus R. Holt.

The Program Committee submitted the printed program, with the recommendation that the place allotted to the Reports on Stewardship and Ministerial Ethics be exchanged.

It was moved and carried that the program as presented be adopted as the official order of business, subject to such changes as may be found necessary.

The Report of the Executive Committee was presented as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, the Executive Committee of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches, have transacted the following business during the interim:

Authorized the purchase of 25 Annuals in addition to the 200 ordered by the Conference; these to take care of the churches recently received into the Conference.

Elected G. H. Veazey who was received at the last session of the Conference as a delegate to the Southern Convention.

Rev. C. L. Moody, who graduated from Elon College last May, was recommended by the Committee on Education for ordination. Your Committee authorized the ordination of Brother Moody, and appointed an Ordaining Presbytery composed of Drs. L. E. Smith, G. O. Lankford and J. H. Lightbourne. The ordination was performed at Elon College, N. C., May 29, 1938.

It was voted to approve the recommendation of the Committee on Education that the Conference recognize the Commission of Adjutant William H. Stanley of the Salvation Army as the equivalent of ordination until such time as he has met the Conference requirements for ordination, and that when Adjutant Stanley has severed his connection with the Salvation Army he be duly enrolled as a member of Conference.

Just previous to the last session of Conference, Rev. C. E. Gerringer was discovered to have been involved in conduct unbecoming a man, a Christian, or a minister. Brother Gerringer admitted the truth of the charge and resigned the pastorate of the Greensboro Palm Street Church. After extended correspondence with Brother Gerringer, and due consideration of all the facts and circumstances, Brother Gerringer was advised that unless he voluntarily surrendered his credentials, the Executive Committee would be duty bound to follow the course prescribed by our Government and Principles. Brother Gerringer has surrendered his credentials which have been accepted by your Committee. It is recommended that Brother Gerringer's credentials be revoked by Conference.

Rev. Arnold Slater has during the year accepted work within the Eastern Virginia Conference. He requested a letter of transfer that he might be enrolled as a member of the Eastern Virginia Conference at its recent session. The letter was granted.

G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,
W. E. WISEMAN,
STANLEY C. HARRELL,
Committee.

On motion the Report of the Executive Committee was adopted.

The Report of the Treasurer, Dr. Waldo Boone, was submitted as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1937-1938.

Balance on hand, 1937.....	\$ 537.66
Received from collectors.....	5,039.80
Total cash on hand.....	\$5,577.46

DISBURSEMENTS.

L. L. Vaughan, Treasurer for Southern Convention.....	\$4,563.65
Charles D. Johnston for Apportionment Table.....	6.00
The Christian Missionary Association.....	200.00
Stanley C. Harrell, Secretary, for secretarial work.....	25.00
James H. Lightbourne, for Christian Missionary Assn....	200.00
The Central Publishing Co., for ANNUALS and programs.....	112.00
Total disbursements.....	5,107.15
Balance	\$ 470.31
Reserved for Elon College Loan Fund.....	\$ 410.00
Interest on Loan Fund (1937-1938).....	10.25
Total Elon College Loan Fund.....	\$ 420.25
Cash on hand for Conference Fund.....	\$ 60.31
Interest on Conference Fund.....	4.29
Total cash on hand for Conference Fund.....	\$ 64.60
Total cash Elon College Loan Fund and Conference Fund....	\$ 484.85

W. WALDO BOONE, *Treasurer*.

On motion the Report of the Treasurer was referred to the Finance Committee for audit.

The President appointed the following Special Committees:

Nominations—Rev. C. E. Newman, C. D. Johnston, A. C. Madren, H. V. Simpson, Rev. J. F. Apple.

Collectors—H. V. Simpson, Rev. L. L. Wyrick.

Press—Revs. J. H. Lightbourne, W. E. Wisseman, F. C. Lester.

Resolutions—Revs. D. M. Spence, B. J. Earp, and Miss Ida Simpson.

Place of Meeting—Revs. J. L. Neese, W. M. Stevens, C. L. Moody.

The following visitors were recognized and accorded the privilege of the floor: Rev. F. C. Lester, Promotional Secretary; Mrs. F. C. Lester; Rev. M. A. Pollard of the Western North Carolina Conference; Dr. Trela D. Collins, Secretary of the North Carolina Council of Churches; Rev. Joseph S. Loughran of the Debt of Honor Commission; and Rev. Thomas Alfred Tripp, of the Church Extension Division.

Annual Conference Address: "The Beyond That Is Within"—Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, President.

The Report of the Committee on Stewardship was presented by Rev. C. L. Moody, Chairman, as follows.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP.

Since the Scriptures declare the relationship of man to God to be that of a steward, your Committee offers the following recommendations:

1. We urge all members of our churches to be faithful in stewardship, and to endeavor to make it a practical application in all of life.

2. That stewardship literature be secured and distributed to pastors and leaders.

3. As a program of promotion for Christian Stewardship during the year we suggest that each pastor deliver at least two sermons on some phase of the theme, and hold stewardship institutes wherever possible.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. MOODY, JR.

On motion the Report of the Committee on Stewardship was adopted.

The Report of the Committee on Religious Literature was presented as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

It is the hope of this committee that these reports, from year to year, are of some value to some of the members of this Conference. We realize that they are not taken seriously by all concerned, however we continue to make them with the hope that some few might find help and encouragement from them. Therefore, we would like to impress upon the members of this Conference the necessity of feeding their souls and minds upon the great wealth of wholesome religious publications of the past and present, if we are to have a proper perspective for present day living.

Every person that calls himself "Christian" should, and must, read the Bible regularly. Every church should see that its members have a copy of the Bible. The Board of Christian Education of the Southern Convention will furnish these to those not able to buy them. A diligent study of the Bible will provide us with the fundamentals of Christianity. For a wider and more complete understanding of these fundamentals we should seek the thoughts of others through religious periodicals and books. *The Advance*, *The Missionary Herald*, *The Pilgrim Highroad*, and other publications are published under the supervision of our Church and are worthy of our consideration. Ask your pastor about them. Good books can be secured from the Pilgrim Press.

The various Boards and Commissions of The National Council provide an abundance of pamphlets and leaflets on all phases of church life, as well as personal living. Many of these may be secured without charge, others cost only a few cents each. These should be placed in the hands of our people. The pastor could take some of these with him when visiting his people and distribute them, members of the local churches might be solicited to distribute others, while the Literature Committee of the local church should keep them continually available at the church. We hope that these suggestions will find some favor in your minds.

The Christian Sun is still the "son" of our churches in the Southern Convention, although many of our local churches and members treat it like a "step-son." The mailing list of the *Sun* shows that that only about six hundred and thirty-nine (639), as of November 14, 1938, copies of this publication come into the North Carolina and Virginia Conference each week. This does not indicate a very wide support of this worthy publication. Last year there was a drive for subscriptions to the *Sun* in all the Conferences of the Convention. The churches of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference secured two hundred and fifty-four (254) new subscriptions. This shows what we can do, if we try. This was done in about one month. If we give the *Sun* a small amount of consideration in our churches all the year, the mailing

list in the area covered by this Conference would increase and our people would know a great deal more about the work of our Church.

We call the attention of this Conference to the following from the report of the Committee on Publications of the Southern Convention (this report was passed at the last session of the Convention):

Recommendations for subscriptions:

2. That the Conferences of the Convention accept responsibility for securing the following quotas: North Carolina and Virginia Conference, 1,050.
3. That the various Conferences apportion the number among their churches and that this apportionment together with the number secured be printed in *The Christian Sun*.

(From *Thirty-Third Regular Session of The Southern Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches and of the Woman's Missionary Convention*.—J. H. Iightbourne, Editor; 1938; P. 27.)

If this Conference sees fit to comply with this recommendation, we suggest that your Committee on Religious Literature be instructed to make the apportionments, or that some other group be appointed to this task.

We should like also to call to the attention of our Sunday Schools the fact that our Church still publishes Sunday School literature for their use, which is of the highest type.

We make these suggestions with the hope that they will find some consideration in the minds of the people of this Conference.

W. MILLARD STEVENS,
B. J. EARP,
MRS. C. H. ROWLAND,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that the Report be adopted.

It was moved and carried that the Conference accept the responsibility of securing *Christian Sun* subscriptions sufficient to bring the number to 1,050, endeavoring to secure 200 each year, the President to designate the committee that shall be responsible for apportioning the new subscriptions to the churches.

Moved and carried that the Report of the Committee on Superannuation be heard at 1:50 this afternoon, since the Report of the Committee on Christian Education is not ready.

Dr. C. Arthur Lincoln, Conference Chaplain, led the Worship Hour of the day, using as his theme: "The Blessings of God's Silence."

Conference adjourned for lunch.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:45.

Prayer led by Rev. J. S. Carden.

A letter of greetings from Dr. J. O. Atkinson was read.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary convey to Dr. Atkinson the felicitations of the Conference and its regrets that he is unable to be present.

The Committee on Superannuation reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

Social justice requires provision for old age or disability. Our Government, by the Social Security Act, has made a great stride in this direction. However, ministers being in the service of non-profit organizations are excluded from annuity benefits offered to those in industrial life. It was stated in our last report that ministers ordained in the Christian Church since 1931, through the aid of the Herring Fund and the Pilgrim Memorial Fund, could provide at a very small cost to themselves, an annuity for old age or disability. We are glad to state in this report that by action of the Trustees of the Annuity Fund taken on February 9, 1938, all ministers of the Christian Church taking membership in the Annuity Fund, share in the benefits of the Pilgrim Memorial Fund.

We wish to call special attention to the great importance to our ministers, especially the younger men, of becoming members of the Annuity Fund immediately after ordination; for by action of the Trustees of the Annuity Fund and approved by the Executive Committee of the General Council, no minister who was under fifty-five years of age in 1921 will be eligible to aid from the Ministerial Relief Fund.

We commend to this Conference and to the church at large, the Debt of Honor Fund, authorized by the General Council to meet the church's responsibility for a part of the original plan annuities. The purpose in raising this fund is to have sufficient reserve to meet all future obligations without having to depend on allotting a certain percent of apportionment funds to the Annuity Fund. The campaign to raise \$1,517,000 is already launched under the leadership of Dean Charles R. Brown of Yale.

While interest is increasing in and more members are being added to the Annuity Fund, the older ministers have no means of receiving financial aid when disabled or retired other than through Ministerial Relief. In view of this fact we make the following recommendations:

1. That each church raise the apportionment in full for Superannuation.
2. That each church take the special Christmas offering for Superannuation.
3. That unless a church has other definite plans for raising this apportionment in full, an offering be taken at each communion service.
4. That the Board of Superannuation of the Southern Convention be asked that the following of this Conference share with applicants from other Conferences to their Board as funds in hand permit:

Mesdames L. I. Cox, C. C. Peel, J. P. Barrett, J. W. Knight, H. L. Moffitt and C. H. Rowland; and Rev. J. S. Carden.

C. E. NEWMAN,
ZEB H. LYNCH,
J. F. APPLE,

Committee.

It was moved and seconded that the Report be adopted.

Rev. Joseph S. Loughran addressed the Conference relative to the Debt of Honor Campaign.

An offering, which amounted to \$11.67, was taken for the Debt of Honor Campaign.

The motion to adopt was voted.

The Report of the Committee on Evangelism was presented as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

The major task of the Christian Church is world evangelism. It is the only agency whereby we can hope to bring the kingdoms of this world to become the kingdom of our Lord. It is not enough to achieve the well-being of our own community. We must share our religion with the entire world. We must begin in Jerusalem and then into the uttermost parts of the earth.

The aim of the Pentecostal program of evangelism was the salvation of men, the glory of God and the establishment of His kingdom on earth. We cannot think of evangelism apart from Christ. He is the "Good News" to the world. Our chief business as Christians is the preaching and promulgation of this good news. Christ is the supreme person who came to make the world better by being good himself and revealing a Holy God. Human life is intended to be holy and can only become so when we as Christians realize our obligation to Christ and win men to Him. We Christians are compelled to share Him with others or lose Him and die.

Therefore in the increasing complexity of this modern civilization, we are pleading for a larger investment of Christian life itself in the business of saving men from sin and winning them into the kingdom of Christ. Making Jesus known to the world is the only means of saving men from sin.

Therefore be it resolved:

1. That we place a greater emphasis upon personal evangelism.
2. That all our churches and pastors plan a definite season for evangelism.
3. That all our members live up to their Christian profession thereby being a compelling force in winning souls.
4. That our pastors and churches be more concerned about winning souls rather than adding numbers to their church rolls.
5. That our pastors report quarterly to the Chairman of the Committee on Evangelism, the number of all conversions and members received on profession of faith in their respective churches in order that a more definite report may be made to Conference on evangelism.

J. F. APPLE, *Chairman,*

G. H. VEAZEY,

J. L. NEESE,

Committee.

After general discussion the Report of the Committee on Evangelism was adopted by vote.

Superintendent Charles D. Johnston introduced Mr. Vitus R. Holt, Chairman of the Christian Orphanage Board of Trustees, who spoke of the work of the Christian Orphanage.

Moved and carried that the Committee on Finance consider and make report with reference to this Conference appropriating \$35.00 from the Conference Fund to the North Carolina Council of Churches.

On motion Conference adjourned.

Benediction by Dr. J. U. Newman.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order by President Crutchfield.

Dr. J. H. Lightbourne led the opening prayer.

The Worship Service was conducted by the Woman's Missionary Society of the Burlington Church assisted by the Church Choir.

Mr. W. E. Walker presented slides showing the building and equipment at the Orphanage, with the farm boys in action, and also slides of our mountain work, representing each of the three churches.

Rev. Thomas Alfred Tripp spoke on: "Religion of Redemption in a Time of Social Revolution."

Conference adjourned.

Benediction by Rev. Millard Stevens.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:30.

Prayer led by Rev. D. M. Spence.

Minutes of previous day's Sessions were read and approved.

Enrollment of delegates.

Revs. H. V. Cox, John Q. Pugh, W. J. Edwards and G. O. Lankford of the Western Conference were presented to Conference and seated as deliberative members.

The Report of the Committee on Ministerial Ethics was presented as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL ETHICS.

The minister is a man among men. He should be a manly man. He should be a Godly man. He is called to the highest and holiest of all callings. It is imperative that he should conduct himself in relation to his fellowman, to the Church and to God, in accordance with the ethical and spiritual standards of his high calling.

The Bible is his rule of faith and practice to which he should adhere in study and practical living as a true minister of God.

He is called to preach the gospel as the power of God unto salvation, and to minister to the pastoral needs of his parish as those needs may worthily be warranted. To these duties he should be found faithful and true.

In his communications with his fellowmen, he should be chaste in speech, honest in business, wise in council, discreet in his social relations, constructive in leadership and deeply spiritual without ostentation.

He should recognize the value of true brotherhood and ever exercise a brotherly courtesy and fellowship with his ministerial brethren.

His presence at and participation in the affairs of conferences, conventions and other assemblies called by the Church, is a mark of real interest and the proper spirit of cooperation, which should be shown by all our ministers working together.

Ministers should be grateful in their personal agreements with each other and able to disagree with Christian tolerance when opinions conflict. In a metaphorical sense, they should be able to play ball together without quitting the game or marring their sportsmanship if the breaks of the game should be against them.

His word should be as good as his bond when accepting places of responsibility, such as pastor of a church, when elected to office, assigned to a program duty, given a committee assignment, keeping his engagements faithfully, and answering important correspondence promptly, when it is possible for him to do these things, unless due notice is given of such inability.

Your Committee would heartily commend to all our ministers the fellowship and mutual helpfulness of the Piedmont Ministers Association. Here we have the opportunity to greet each other, and to discuss our common problems together in sincerity and brotherly kindness. The Association meets at Elon College on Monday after the second Sunday in each month.

W. M. JAY,
D. M. SPENCE,

Committee.

It was moved and carried that the Report on Ministerial Ethics be adopted.

The Committee on Apportionments reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS—1938.

	Convention Missions	Foreign Missions	Convention Fund	Elon College Fund	Superannuated Fund	Christian Education	Conference Fund	Orphanage	TOTAL
Albemarle	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 2.50	\$ 7.50	\$ 20.00	\$ 85.00
Apple's Chapel .	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Asheville	18.00	18.00	18.00	45.00	9.00	4.50	10.00	25.00	147.50
Belew's Creek ..	13.44	13.44	13.44	33.60	6.72	3.36	5.40	33.60	123.00
Berea	20.40	20.40	20.40	51.00	10.20	5.10	7.88	51.00	186.38
Bethel	21.60	21.60	21.60	54.00	10.20	5.10	8.25	54.00	196.35
Bethlehem	42.24	42.24	42.24	105.60	21.12	10.76	16.20	105.60	386.00
Burlington	140.00	400.00	140.00	400.00	100.00	50.00	100.00	2400.00	3,730.00
Carolina	8.00	8.00	8.00	20.00	4.00	2.00	4.00	20.00	74.00
Concord	16.00	16.00	16.00	40.00	8.00	4.00	6.50	40.00	146.50
Danville	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	175.00	408.50
Durham	184.00	184.00	184.00	460.00	92.00	46.00	72.00	350.00	1,572.00
Elk Spur	4.80	4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	2.00	12.00	44.00
Elon College ...	128.00	128.00	128.00	320.00	64.00	32.00	50.00	200.00	1,050.00
Greensboro: First	160.00	160.00	160.00	400.00	80.00	40.00	65.00	200.00	1,265.00
Palm Street ..	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Happy Home ..	27.20	27.20	27.20	68.00	13.60	6.80	10.50	125.00	305.50
Haw River	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	70.00	303.50
Hebron	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Hines Chapel ..	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Hopedale	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	24.00	88.00
Howards Chapel	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	24.00	88.00
Ingram	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	225.00	458.50
Ivy Hill	2.40	2.40	2.40	6.00	1.20	.60	1.00	6.00	22.00
Kallams Grove .	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	24.00	88.00
Lebanon	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Liberty	16.00	16.00	16.00	40.00	8.00	4.00	6.50	40.00	146.50
Longs Chapel ..	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Lynchburg	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	75.00	202.50
Monticello	16.00	16.00	16.00	40.00	8.00	4.00	6.50	40.00	146.50
Mt. Bethel	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	60.00	187.50
Mt. Zion	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
New Hope	4.80	4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	2.00	12.00	44.00
New Lebanon ..	22.40	22.40	22.40	56.00	11.20	5.60	9.00	125.00	274.00
Pleasant Grove .	26.40	26.40	26.40	66.00	13.20	6.60	10.13	45.00	220.13
Pleasant Ridge .	17.28	17.28	17.28	43.20	8.64	4.32	6.75	43.20	157.95
Reidsville	52.80	52.80	52.80	132.00	26.40	13.20	20.00	150.00	500.00
Rocky Ford	4.80	4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	2.00	12.00	44.00
Salem Chapel ..	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Salisbury	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	24.00	88.00
Shallow Ford ..	22.40	22.40	22.40	56.00	11.20	5.60	9.00	60.00	209.00
Tryon	43.20	43.20	43.20	108.00	21.60	10.80	10.00	30.00	310.00
Union (N. C.) .	27.20	27.20	27.20	68.00	13.60	6.80	10.50	68.00	248.50
Union (Va.) ...	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Winston-Salem .	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.50	24.00	88.50
Totals	\$1478.16	\$1738.16	\$1478.16	\$3740.40	\$768.48	\$384.44	\$626.11	\$5584.40	\$15,798.31

CHAS. D. JOHNSTON,
CLYDE ISLEY,
S. D. SCOTT,

Committee.

It was moved and carried that the Report of the Committee on Apportionments be adopted.

Rev. J. U. Fogleman of the Western Conference and Rev. W. J. Andes of the Virginia Valley Conference were presented to Conference and seated as deliberative members.

Rev. F. C. Lester addressed the Conference relative to his plans as Promotional Secretary of the Convention.

The Nominating Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

President—Rev. W. E. Wisseman.

Vice-President—Dr. J. H. Lightbourne.

Secretary—Rev. Stanley C. Harrell.

Assistant Secretary—Rev. W. Millard Stevens.

Treasurer—Dr. W. Waldo Boone.

Conference Representative, North Carolina Council of Churches—Dr. J. H. Lightbourne.

Song Leader—Rev. J. L. Neese.

Mission Board—Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, Rev. W. E. Wisseman, ex-officio, Dr. Stanley C. Harrell, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Zeb H. Lynch, and Mrs. C. H. Rowland.

It was moved and carried that the report be adopted and that the Secretary be authorized to cast the ballot of Conference in favor of the nominees.

The Secretary cast the ballot as authorized and the nominees were declared duly elected.

The Report of the Committee on Moral Reform was presented as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

1. Moral reform and social action will become a vital part of our life as God becomes real to us again. There can be no effective moral reform without a spiritual awakening. Furthermore, we shall never make progress in being rid of crime until we are more deeply aware of our sins.

2. Surely we are all aware of the effect of environment upon life, and by God's grace will want to convert the environments. Yet let us be delivered from the snare of blaming others or the circumstance. We may well leave that safely in other hands. Let us bear down heavily upon individual conscience and our own obedience to God's will.

3. We need a new emphasis upon the place of the Church. We are apologizing for it in many cases. It is only through the Church as a brotherhood that our opportunity lies. Put the best individual Christian into a fellowship where love in action is weak and he is apt to fall by the wayside. Put a weak member into a glowing fellowship and it makes a strong disciple by contagion.

4. Because we love the Lord and His children, we shall want to study the problems before us thoroughly; We are weak on finding the means and technique. Let us educate and when we have done that let us educate some more.

5. Churches should be encouraged to be an example of Christ's Spirit in their economic life. This means mutual aid and bearing one another's burdens.

6. Local churches should not be "local" churches. The preaching and teaching of each church can be effective only as it is an outreach in thought and spirit into the world's life.

7. We ministers and churches are missing our privilege as counselors of the people. We have a glorious gospel which is mighty to save. Yet we are often unprepared to say the word that will be of help to the man who "is up against it." They turn to Dorothy Dix, psychology, and the "isms."

8. One almost hesitates to mention war even when he knows that it is the greatest sin we are facing. What can we do? At least we can think through what is our attitude and position in the light of our discipleship. We can rid ourselves of hypocrisy in the guilt which we share for the present crisis. We can lend our support and influence to economic policies which are based on "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

9. Be it recommended that the Church study thoroughly the cooperative movement and act in keeping with whatever light it finds through such study.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. CHAPMAN, *Chmn.*,

O. A. ELMORE,

L. L. WYRICK,

Committee.

Dr. W. M. Jay discussed the Report.

On motion the Report was adopted.

Dr. C. Arthur Lincoln presented a resolution relative to the Economic Plebiscite, which was on motion referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

Rev. I. Stuart McElroy, Regional Secretary of the American Bible Society, spoke of the work being done by the Society.

The Committee on Foreign Missions reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We, the Committee, recommend the following:

1. That the churches take an Easter offering for missions, and the Sunday Schools a monthly offering for missions.

2. That the churches put forth every effort to meet the missionary apportionment; that they accept it as a minimum basis and make an effort to give more in this time of special need.

3. That each church seek to have its women organized into a Woman's Missionary Society.

4. That missionary education and giving be stressed in all organizations of the Church.

5. That in our private devotions, as well as our prayers in public services, we remember the cause of foreign missions.

6. That our Sunday Schools be enrolled as World Service Schools.

7. That we exert more faith and attempt more.

W. E. WISSEMAN, *Chairman*,

MRS. J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,

Committee.

Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, President, reported relative to the work of the North Carolina Woman's Conference. In summarizing the work she stated that "Forty-seven Woman's Societies, ten Young People's, six Willing Workers and seven Cradle Rolls reported, and the total amount of money raised, \$3,896.62. Twenty-eight Young People's and three Cradle Rolls exceeded the apportionments." (For full details of the Woman's Conference see the Minutes as printed in THE ANNUAL.)

Rev. W. E. Wisseman spoke on the Report, emphasizing the urgent present day need.

It was moved and carried that the Report be adopted.

The President requested the Committee on Religious Literature to act in the matter of allocating *Christian Sun* subscriptions to the churches.

It was moved and carried that in the appointment of the Committee on Religious Literature it be borne in mind to have all sections of the Conference represented on the Committee.

Dr. Lincoln, Conference Chaplain, led the noon hour worship. Theme: "Social Obligations and Private Prayer."

Conference adjourned for lunch.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:45.

Prayer led by Rev. O. A. Elmore.

It was moved and carried that the Conference hear a partial report from the Committee on Resolutions.

The Committee submitted the Resolution presented to the Conference by Dr. Lincoln, expressing disapproval of the Economic Plebiscite.

It was moved and carried that the Resolution relative to the Economic Plebiscite be tabled.

The Committee on Resolutions presented the referendum from the Southern Convention relative to Conference representation within the Convention.

It was moved and seconded to approve the proposed plan of representation.

It was moved and carried to amend the plan of representation to read as follows:

"(1). Every Conference shall be entitled to elect all Elders on its roll who are in good standing.

"(2). Laymen shall be elected in the following manner. Every local church of 200 members or less, shall be entitled to one representative, and every church of more than 200 members shall be entitled to two representatives who shall be nominated by the local church, and said names forwarded on the report to the Conference preceding the regular session of the Convention, and submitted to the Conference for election as delegates. Additional delegates at large shall be elected to bring the representations to one lay delegate for each 200 members of the Conference. The delegates shall be elected for two years."

The motion to amend carried, and the amended proposal of representation was approved.

The Home Mission Board reported as follows:

REPORT OF HOME MISSION BOARD.

The function of this Board is the work of Home Missions and Church Extension within the bounds of the Conference. It functions through the Christian Missionary Association. In some instances its work is supplementary to that of the Mission Board of the Southern Convention.

It is financed in two ways, first, by the Conference through the balance in the Conference fund after all legitimate Conference expense items have been met, and second, by memberships in the Christian Missionary Association. The

latter are on the basis of annual dues of five dollars per year for adults and adult organizations and two dollars and fifty cents for children and children's organizations.

The issue before the Conference as the Board visualizes it is the enrichment and development of the life and effectiveness of our village and rural churches. Of our forty-four churches thirty-two come under this category. Many of these churches are functioning effectively both in their respective communities and in the programs of the Conference and Convention; but others are weak and on the border of ineffectiveness. We would serve these latter churches and inspire to greater usefulness the former. It is in these village rural churches mainly that our strength lies and it is in them we have our greatest opportunity.

The Board does not have the financial resources to do much but it endeavors to use wisely the funds at its disposal. At the present time the church at Winston-Salem is being assisted. This is the only urban work in which we are engaged. Riedsville has been assisted but in proportion to the total building and extension program of this church our appropriations have been small but timely.

Pastorate Number One has been and is receiving assistance and it is felt this has been a wise and fruitful investment. An offer of assistance has been made to a second group but as yet this challenge or offer has not been accepted.

Our Board urges our pastors and our churches to interest themselves in the Christian Missionary Association. Churches have been asked to secure memberships on the basis of one for the first hundred members and one for each additional fifty members or fraction thereof. Our ministers are appealed to to present this work to their churches and secure C. M. A. memberships.

We offer the following recommendations:

1. An intensive effort by all our churches in behalf of the whole program of our Conference.
2. Study by our village and rural churches of the grouping plan.
3. Cooperation with the C. M. A.
4. The development in our local churches of lay-leadership.

MRS. C. H. ROWLAND,

(Per J. H. L.),

ZEB H. LYNCH,

G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,

STANLEY C. HARRELL,

JAMES H. LIGHTBOURNE,

Committee.

Dr. Lightbourne spoke on the Report.

Dr. Jay solicited memberships for the Christian Missionary Association.

Rev. Thomas Alfred Tripp addressed the Conference, using as his theme: "The Man on the Meeting House Steps."

It was voted that the report be adopted.

The Report of the Committee on Education was submitted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The most notable contribution made by the Christian Church within the Southern Convention, other than the influence on individual lives through the ministry of the churches, has been the establishing and maintenance of Elon College. We who have been so close to the difficulties and problems incidental to the financing of Elon College, have been so engrossed with the tasks involved, that we have not been aware of the notable achievements that have

been wrought. We are only now beginning to realize that we have accomplished much better than we knew.

Today Elon College is beginning to reap the rewards of the labors that have been expended in her behalf. Elon College has a physical equipment that compares most favorably with that of the other small colleges of the South. Elon has an administrative staff that is unequalled in devotion and efficiency. Her faculty is notable for scholastic preparation and teaching ability. She has a student body that in point of numbers, high ambition, and commendable youthful dignity, promises great things for the future.

Elon College is soon to celebrate a Golden Anniversary. This celebration will be in the year of our Lord 1940. Two objectives will have foremost consideration in this celebration. The first is to set forth clearly the notable achievements in this first fifty years of Elon College's history. The second is to raise \$150,000 with which to liquidate the remaining indebtedness of the college and free the endowment, so that its proceeds may be used for regular college purposes, rather than to go for the payment of interest and debts.

The plan for raising this \$150,000 is in brief to find within the ranks of the churches of the Convention, the Alumni and friends of Elon College, 3,000 people who will either give or raise \$50.00 each for this most worthy purpose. This will not be an easy task; but it is by no means an impossible one. We call upon our churches, our ministers and our people to dedicate the very best service of which we are capable to the attainment of the goals which have been set.

We offer the following report relative to candidates for the ministry:

Rev. O. A. Elmore, whose ordination by the Baptist Church has been recognized by this Conference, is now pastor of the Albemarle Congregational Church. Your Committee is not informed as to the progress he is making toward the completion of his college course, but we recommend the recognition of his ordination for another year.

Rev. Isaiah Israel Sears, who graduated last May from Elon College, and who was licensed at the last session of Conference, is pursuing his theological studies at Andover Newton Seminary. We recommend the continuance of his license for a year.

Rev. Melvin Dollar, now a senior at Elon College, is pastor of Carolina Church and Howard's Chapel. We recommend the continuance of his license for one year.

Rev. D. N. Vore, of the junior class at Elon College, is pursuing his studies and doing pastoral work within the Conference. We recommend the continuance of his license for a year.

Rev. E. J. Sanderson continues to serve churches acceptably as pastor and is working toward his degree from Elon College. We recommend that his license be continued for one year.

Rev. I. T. Underwood holds no regular pastoral position, but is rendering acceptable service where opportunity arises. We recommend the continuance of his license for one year.

Brother Harold Loman is recommended by the Greensboro Palm Street Church, of which he is a member, as a suitable candidate for licensure. He gives promise of usefulness as a preacher and pastor. He has not completed the college entrance requirements. We recommend that he be licensed at this session of Conference, with the understanding that the continuance of this license is conditioned upon his taking steps to complete his scholastic preparation.

Rev. Thomas Eugene Cross, who holds the equivalent of our Conference licensure from the Friends Church, is now a member of the Greensboro Palm Street Church. He is recommended by that church for ordination. Our Government and Principles provides that recommendation for ordination be by a church which the candidate has served as pastor. We recommend that this Conference recognize the license of Brother Cross and enroll him as a licentiate. We commend him to churches seeking a pastor.

Rev. J. Howard Smith, pastor of our Lynchburg Church, presents a letter of transfer from the Windsor Association of the Connecticut Conference. We recommend that the letter of transfer be approved and that he be enrolled as an Elder of this Conference.

In the past few years provision has been made for the ordination of ministers, the rite being administered at a time and place other than the Conference session. Your committee is of the opinion that the highest interest of all parties concerned is best served by ordination being administered at a regular session of Conference.

STANLEY C. HARRELL,
J. U. NEWMAN,
W. M. JAY,
J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
Committee.

Moved and seconded that the report be adopted.

President Smith introduced Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, who spoke with reference to Elon College.

Dr. W. H. Boone discussed the Elon College Program.

President Smith closed the discussion with facts relative to the college.

The Report was adopted by vote.

Conference adjourned.

Benediction by Rev. M. A. Pollard.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Worship Service was conducted by the Pilgrim Fellowship.

Miss Elberta Murray, President of the North Carolina and Virginia Pilgrim Fellowship, stated that one of the projects of this group for the year was to secure new hymn books for the mountain churches. An offering amounting to \$10.44 was received for this purpose. Miss Murray stated the objectives of the Pilgrim Fellowship.

Mr. Walter Cooper, Chairman of the State Pilgrim Fellowship, spoke for that organization.

The student Ministerial Association of Elon College then continued with the program.

Address: "An Appreciation of the Courses at Elon College"—Rev. E. J. Sanderson.

Address: "The World Today as a Ministerial Student Sees It"—Rev. D. N. Vore.

Address: "How I Expect to Serve"—Rev. W. J. Andes.

Closing prayer led by Rev. F. C. Lester.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:30.

Prayer led by Rev. W. M. Jay.

The Minutes of yesterday's Sessions were read and approved.

Church Reports and Reports of Ministers were read before Conference.

The Report of the Committee on Christian Education was presented as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

As a means of widening our program and of encouraging existing plans, the following recommendations are submitted:

1. Study classes with competent leadership for our Sunday School teachers and church leaders. (Probably several churches could cooperate with this.)
2. Recommend to the Board of Christian Education that the plan of the Elon Summer School be revised so as to have two sessions—one for adults and older young people for International Credit Courses; and another for young people (from 13-16 years of age) for Life Interest Courses.
3. An increased delegation to the Elon Summer School with every church represented.
4. Cooperation through the various departments of the church with the program and policies of the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor conventions and to help in making these conventions of vital meaning and usage to the local churches.
5. Support the Pilgrim Fellowship through cooperation with its program and encouraging each young people's group in the church to actively affiliate with the Conference Pilgrim Fellowship organization.
6. Back up by our interest and aid our college at Elon.
7. See that up-to-date materials of all kinds—*The Christian Sun*, *The Pilgrim Highroad*, *Social Action*, Bulletins, etc., are being used in the local churches.
8. That we wake up to the fact that Christian education, unless it receives impetus, will lose its effectiveness and that the church needs a broader program of Christian Education.

DOROTHY TRUITT,
Chairman.

It was moved and carried that the report be adopted with the exception of Recommendation 2 which is referred to the Convention Board of Christian Education.

The Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, wish to submit the following:

1. That we express our sincere thanks by a rising vote, to the pastor, members and friends of the Burlington Christian Church for the splendid hospitality extended to the members and visitors of this Conference.
2. That we express our appreciation to the officers of Conference for their faithful service in planning and executing such a splendid program at this session.
3. That we express our thanks to all those who have appeared on the program for the information and inspiration given us.
4. That our pastors and delegates return to their churches with a greater determination to obey the recommendations and mandates of this Conference.
5. That we join the religious forces of the world in our protest against selfishness, greed and enmity of nations and individuals against each other; and pray for the reign of the Prince of Peace and that the kingdom of God may come in all the world.
6. That the President and Vice-President shall not hold office longer than two terms of one year each in succession.

7. That the second Sunday in February be designated as Debt of Honor Sunday in our churches, and that each church be asked to receive an offering and send same to Dr. J. O. Atkinson at Elon College.

D. M. SPENCE,

B. J. EARP,

IDA SIMPSON,

Committee.

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was adopted by a standing vote.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Attention is called to the deaths of several active men and women among our laity and to the loss from our ministry of Dr. C. H. Rowland. Dr. Rowland was born in Wake County, N. C., September 19, 1868, and died at Greensboro, N. C., May 2, 1938, at the age of 69 years. He was graduated from Elon College in 1900 and soon after graduation married Miss Bertie Graham. He served our Bethany, Holy Neck and Franklin Churches of the Eastern Virginia Conference and the First Church, Greensboro, of our North Carolina and Virginia Conference. His pastorate at Franklin was for twenty-three years. Dr. Rowland was active in the two Conferences in which he had membership and served both as president. His ministry was characterized by an evangelistic fervor, a tolerant outlook and a spirit of wholesome friendliness.

Lengthier obituaries are carried in the issues of *The Christian Sun* both at the time of his death and following the sessions of the Conference and in the minutes of the office of the secretary.

J. H. LIGHTBOURNE, *Chairman.*

On motion the Conference stood in silent tribute to its honored dead, and prayer was voiced by Rev. C. E. Newman.

The Collectors reported as follows:

REPORT OF COLLECTOR.

Forty churches sent remittances to Conference which totaled \$4,834.35. This amount was divided as follows: Convention Missions, \$581.79; Foreign Missions, \$495.66; Convention Fund, \$1,146.31; Elon College, \$1,264.18; Superannuation, \$357.35; Christian Education, \$337.16; Conference Fund, \$539.40; Orphanage, \$121.50.

Sixteen churches reported as Banner Churches, having raised all Conference Apportionments in full. They are: Albemarle, Apple's Chapel, Bethlehem, Burlington, Elon College, Greensboro First, Happy Home, Hines' Chapel, Ingram, Lynchburg, Mt. Bethel, Mt. Zion, New Lebanon, Shallow Ford, Union (N. C.), and Winston-Salem. (See Statistical Tables for details of finance.)

On motion the Report was accepted and admitted to record.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the report of Dr. W. Waldo Boone, Treasurer, and find the same to be correct.

We recommend:

1. That \$25.00 be paid to the Pilgrim Fellowship to aid them in their work.
2. That \$35.00 be paid to the North Carolina Council of Churches.
3. That \$25.00 be paid to Rev. Stanley C. Harrell for secretarial work.
4. That the bills for stationery, programs, ANNUALS, postage, etc., be paid.

We recommend that the balance of the Conference Fund be paid to the Christian Missionary Association, and that all other designated funds paid to

the Conference be forwarded to Prof. L. L. Vaughan, Treasurer of the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches.

J. C. McADAMS,
W. T. DUNN,
MRS. C. H. ROWLAND,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that the Report of the Finance Committee be adopted.

The Committee on Place reported an invitation to hold the next session with the Bethlehem Christian Church.

It was moved and carried to accept the invitation of Bethlehem Church.

The Committee on Religious Literature made the following Report on *Christian Sun* subscriptions:

SPECIAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

The following is the apportionment of *Christian Sun* subscriptions to the churches of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference. The apportionment to each church is the total number of paid subscriptions that each church is expected to have within their membership by 1940.

To determine the number of new subscriptions that your church is expected to obtain during the Conference year 1938-1939, subtract the number of paid subscriptions you now have from the number apportioned and divide the balance by two: That is, your church is apportioned, say twenty, you now have twelve paid subscribers, twelve from twenty is eight, one-half of eight is four, therefore your church would be expected to secure four new subscriptions during the Conference year 1938-39 and four the next year, 1939-40. Your church would then have its apportionment reached and should then hold that number.

Albemarle, 20; Apple's Chapel, 48; Asheville, 13; Belew Creek, 12; Berea, 16; Bethel, 20; Bethlehem, 36; Burlington, 92; Carolina, 9; Concord, 14; Danville, 63; Durham, 58; Elk Spur, 10; Elon College, 52; Greensboro, First, 54; Greensboro, Palm St., 39; Happy Home, 29; Haw River, 19; Hebron, 17; Hines Chapel, 29; Hopedale, 12; Howard's Chapel, 3; Ingram, 24; Ivy Hill, 2; Kallam Grove, 9; Lebanon, 16; Liberty, 22; Long's Chapel, 21; Lynchburg, 14; Monticello, 8; Mt. Bethel, 16; Mt. Zion, 19; New Lebanon, 26; Pleasant Grove, 35; Pleasant Ridge, 10; Reidsville, 62; Rocky Ford, 9; Salem Chapel, 16; Shallow Ford, 20; Tryon, 20; Union (N. C.), 43; Union (Va.), 44; Winston-Salem, 10; total 1,090.

W. MILLARD STEVENS,
B. J. EARP,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that the apportionment of *Christian Sun* subscriptions be adopted.

President-elect Wisseman appointed Standing Committees as follows:

Executive—W. E. Wisseman, J. H. Lightbourne, Stanley C. Harrell.

Program—W. E. Wisseman, Stanley C. Harrell, G. C. Crutchfield.

Education—Stanley C. Harrell, W. M. Jay, J. U. Newman, J. H. Lightbourne, H. Shelton Smith, D. J. Bowden.

Home Missions (Elected)—J. H. Lightbourne, W. E. Wisseman, Stanley C. Harrell, J. O. Atkinson, Zeb H. Lynch, Mrs. C. H. Rowland.

Foreign Missions—W. M. Jay, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, Mrs. O. H. Paris.

Christian Education—D. J. Bowden, W. T. Dunn, H. Shelton Smith, Miss Dorothy Truitt.

Moral Reform—J. Howard Smith, Mrs. S. C. Harrell, O. A. Elmore.

Superannuation—C. E. Newman, Dr. W. H. Boone, Zeb H. Lynch, Mrs. W. P. Lawrence.

Ministerial Ethics—J. F. Apple, L. L. Wyrick, John R. Chapman.

Religious Literature—W. M. Stevens, B. J. Earp, Miss Tora Rudd, Mrs. W. M. Jay, Mrs. D. E. Mitchell.

Budget and Apportionment—C. D. Johnston, S. D. Scott, Clyde Iseley.

Stewardship—D. M. Spence, C. L. Moody, Mrs. C. L. Simpson.

Evangelism—G. C. Crutchfield, J. L. Neese, G. H. Veazey

Memoirs—G. C. Crutchfield, J. U. Newman

Historian—J. O. Atkinson.

It was moved and carried that the Minutes of this session be printed in the CHRISTIAN ANNUAL; and that the Conference purchase 225 copies for pro-rata distribution among the churches.

It was moved and carried that the reading of the Minutes of today's Session be referred to the President and the Secretary.

The President, in accordance with the vote of Conference, licensed Bro. Harold Loman, of the Palm Street Church, Greensboro, as a probationer to preach the Gospel.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary be authorized to complete the Minutes, and that after the Worship Service the Conference stand adjourned.

Dr. Lincoln, Conference Chaplain, led the closing Worship Service, using as his theme: "The Road to Restored Fellowship."

The Conference adjourned to meet Tuesday after the second Sunday in November, 1939, with the Bethlehem Christian Church, at Altamahaw, N. C.

G. C. CRUTCHFIELD, *President*,
Burlington, N. C.

STANLEY C. HARRELL, *Secretary*,
Durham, N. C.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

J. F. Apple—Churches: Bethel, Mt. Zion, Pleasant Ridge and Pleasant Hill of Western Conf. Sermons, 79; conversions 30; members received, 22; marriages, 16; baptisms, 21; visits, 165; funerals, 11; salary, \$1,002.33.

J. O. Atkinson—Executive Secretary of Missions, Southern Convention.

D. J. Bowden—Professor, Elon College.

J. S. Carden—Churches: Mt. Herman, Morrisville of Eastern Conf. Sermons, 30; conversions, 3; members received, 3; salary, \$170.14.

John R. Chapman—Church: Asheville. Sermons, 48; conversions, 7; members received, 20; marriages, 8; addresses, 28; baptisms, 6; visits, 640; funerals, 6; salary, \$1,320.00.

G. C. Crutchfield—Churches: Berea, Bethlehem, Long's Chapel. Sermons, 124; conversions, 30; members received, 27; marriages, 4; addresses, 10; baptisms, 19; visits, 600; funerals, 23; salary, \$975.00.

B. J. Earp—Churches: Ingram, Elk Spur, Ivy Hill, Rocky Ford. Sermons, 128; conversions, 26; members received, 36; addresses, 15; baptisms, 25; visits, 742; funerals, 3; salary, \$1,250.00.

O. A. Elmore—Churches: Hopedale, Carolina, Happy Home, Mt. Bethel, Kallam Grove and Howard's Chapel until June. Albemarle since June. Sermons, 199; conversions, 71; members received, 75; marriages, 2; addresses, 21; baptisms, 66; visits, 943; funerals, 6; salary, \$1,055.40.

Stanley C. Harrell—Church: Durham. Sermons, 114; conversions, 13; members received, 23; marriages, 3; addresses, 16; baptisms, 12; visits, 375; funerals, 15; salary, \$2,245.00.

W. M. Jay—Church: Winston-Salem. Sermons, 90; conversions, 3; members received, 5; marriages, 3; addresses, 2; baptisms, 3; visits, 760; funerals, 3; salary, \$2,160.00.

J. H. Lightbourne—Church: Burlington. Sermons, 102; conversions, 68; members received, 47; marriages, 9; addresses, 48; baptisms, 15; visits, 1,067; funerals, 16; salary, \$3,000.00.

C. L. Moody, Jr.—Churches: Apple's Chapel, Hines' Chapel, Mt. Bethel and Kallam Grove since June. Sermons, 112; conversions, 43; members received, 48; addresses, 2; baptisms, 34; visits, 150; funerals, 7; salary, 1,012.50.

J. L. Neese—Churches: Reidsville, New Lebanon. Sermons, 143; conversions, 227; members received, 73; marriages, 9; addresses, 6; baptisms, 48; visits, 925; funerals, 14; salary, \$1,915.00.

C. E. Newman—Churches: Union (Va.), Lebanon, Liberty, Hebron. Sermons, 84; conversions, 20; members received, 14; marriages, 6; addresses, 10; baptisms, 12; visits, 500; funerals, 20; salary, \$1,000.00.

J. U. Newman—Professor at Elon College.

J. W. Patton—Masonic Lecturer.

W. T. Scott—Associate Superintendent, Georgia and Florida.

J. Howard Smith—Church: Lynchburg. Sermons, 97; conversions, 4; members received, 6; marriages, 2; addresses, 16; baptisms, 1; visits, 506; salary, \$1,300.00.

H. Shelton Smith—Professor, Duke University.

D. M. Spence—Churches: High Point, Sophia, Flint Hill of Western Conf. Sermons, 107; conversions, 33; members received, 35; marriages, 1; baptisms, 11; visits, 767; funerals, 2; salary, \$749.40.

W. M. Stevens—Church: Union (N. C.). Sermons, 102; members received, 6; marriages, 4; addresses, 12; baptisms, 4; visits, 635; funerals, 12; salary, \$1,040.00.

G. H. Veazey—Churches: Pleasant Ridge, Belew Creek, Salem Chapel. Sermons, 88; conversions, 20; members received, 28; addresses, 15; baptisms, 18; funerals, 8; salary, \$962.50.

W. E. Wisseman—Church: Greensboro, First. Sermons, 103; conversions, 17; members received, 26; marriages, 9; addresses, 18; baptisms, 8; visits, 1,356; funerals, 7; salary, \$2,000.00.

L. L. Wyricke—Church: Shallow Ford. Sermons, 36; conversions, 9; members received, 2; marriages, 1; addresses, 8; baptisms, 8; visits, 142; funerals, 3; salary, \$300.00.

Melvin Dollar—Churches: Carolina, Howard's Chapel. Sermons, 31; conversions, 14; members received, 6; visits, 36; salary, \$225.00.

E. J. Sanderson—Churches: Monticello, Haw River. Sermons, 61; conversions, 16; members received, 19; addresses, 8; visits, 226; funerals, 4; salary, \$639.00.

I. T. Underwood—No charge. Sermons, 25.

D. N. Vore—Churches: Pleasant Grove, Happy Home since June. Sermons, 60; conversions, 6; members received, 6; baptisms, 6; visits, 65; salary, \$385.00.

CHURCH STATISTICS—NOVEMBER

CHURCH.	PASTOR	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Received on Confession.	Received by Letter	Lost by Death.	Lost by Letter.	Present Membership.	Paid on Conference Fund.	Paid on Convention
Albemarle.	O. A. Elmore.	A. G. Plyler, 160 N. Depot St., Albemarle	126	29	6	4	5	152	\$ 7.50	\$ 1
Apple's Chapel.	C. L. Moody.	Mrs. R. E. Apple, Brown Summit, N. C.	378	34	2	4	2	408	13.50	3
Asheville.	J. R. Chapman.	R. W. Hawkins, 407 Charlotte St.	100	6	12	2	1	115		1
Belew Creek.	G. H. Veazey.	Mrs. H. C. Murray, Belew Creek, N. C.	96	15	7	3	2	113	4.50	1
Berea.	G. C. Crutchfield.	Miss Frona Taylor, Altamahaw, N. C.	129	1			1	129		
Bethel.	J. F. Apple.	Mrs. Ida P. Murray, Mebane, N. C., R. 3	151	4			3	152	10.00	2
Bethlehem.	G. C. Crutchfield.	Clyde Iseley, Burlington, N. C., R. 4	316	22	6	5	6	333	13.50	3
Burlington.	J. H. Lightbourne.	E. N. Pearce, Box 916, Burlington, N. C.	736	32	15	4	8	771	75.00	14
Carolina.	Melvin Dollar.	J. W. Trollinger, Burlington, N. C., R. 2	72	3			*25	50	1.50	
Concord.	J. U. Fogleman.	J. T. Allred, Burlington, N. C., R. 2	113	1				114	6.50	1
Danville.	M. T. Sorrell.	Miss Verlie Dodd, 1503 Washington St.	506	128			*61	570		
Durham.	S. C. Harrell.	A. T. Crutchfield, City Hall, Durham.	461	13	10	6	14	464	72.00	18
Elk Spur.	B. J. Earp.	Mrs. J. W. Utt, Fancy Gap, Va.	83	12		1	*50	44	1.50	
Elon College.	L. E. Smith.	Miss Nannie D. Reitzel, Elon College	410	22	14	2	8	436	50.00	12
Greensboro, First.	W. E. Wisseman.	R. G. Moffitt, 813 Vance St. Greensboro	430	17	9	4	13	439	65.00	16
G'boro, Palm St.	M. A. Pollard.	A. H. Hinshaw, 17 Poplar St. Greensboro	313	2	2	2	*16	299	12.00	
Happy Home.	W. J. Andes.	Mrs. G. W. Hill, Ruffin, N. C.	229	3		1	*24	207	10.50	2
Haw River.	E. J. Sanderson.	Mrs. Rosa B. Thomas, Haw River, N. C.	149	4	1	4	1	129	10.00	1
Hebron.	C. E. Newman.	Kent Rice, Nelson, Va.	132			3	3	132	2.50	
Hines' Chapel.	C. L. Moody, Jr.	L. V. Smith, McLeansville, N. C.	229	1	2	3	3	226	13.50	3
Hopedale.		Miss Jaunita Faucette, Burlington, R. 3	98				*38	60	4.00	
Howard's Chapel.	Melvin Dollar.	W. H. Brame, Reidsville, N. C., R. 2	23		3			26	1.00	
Ingram.	B. J. Earp.	Mrs. Charlie Ferrell, Paces, Va.	199	7	10	2	5	209	13.50	3
Ivy Hill.	B. J. Earp.	B. J. Earp, Paces, Va.	12	4			*11	5	1.00	
Kallam Grove.	C. L. Moody, Jr.	Mrs. Newton Joyner, Madison, N. C.	71	4	1	2	9	65	10.00	10
Lebanon.	C. E. Newman.	T. J. Earp, Milton, N. C.	125	4			1	128	7.50	1
Liberty.	C. E. Newman.	Jas. T. Whitt, Nathalie, Va.	176	1				177	2.50	
Long's Chapel.	G. C. Crutchfield.	J. W. Johnston, Burlington, N. C., R. 5	166		2	3	2	163	8.09	10
Lynchburg.	J. Howard Smith.	Mrs. W. T. Dunn, 1111 Tolley's Lane	110	5	2		3	114	7.50	19
Monticello.	E. J. Sanderson.	Miss Lottie Morgan, Brown Summit	62	10	3	1	4	70	4.13	0
Mt. Bethel.	C. L. Moody, Jr.	Miss Ethel Friddle, Stokesdale, N. C.	127	1	2	1		129	7.50	19
Mt. Zion.	J. F. Apple.	Zeb. H. Lynch, R. 3., Mebane, N. C.	153	11	1	4	4	157	7.50	19
New Hope.										
New Lebanon.	J. L. Neese.	Miss Carrie Sharpe, Summerfield, N. C.	211	6		1		216	9.00	22
Pleasant Grove.	D. N. Vore.	Mrs. Elizabeth Sipe, News Ferry, Va.	284	Not	Re	ported.			13.50	35
Pleasant Ridge.	G. H. Veazey.	Henry Robinson, Summerfield, N. C.	77			2	*30	45	6.75	1
Reidsville.	J. L. Neese.	Mrs. C. W. Geringer, 36 Montgomery St.	497	58	9		*26	538	20.00	31
Rocky Ford.	B. J. Earp.	Mrs. Bertha Easter, R. 5, Mt. Airy, N. C.	71	3				74	2.00	2
Salem Chapel.	G. H. Veazey.	Selma Marshall, Walnut Cove, N. C., R. 2	129	6			8	127	2.50	10
Salisbury.			18							
Shallow Ford.	L. L. Wyrick.	Samuel Barber, Elon College, R. 2	129	2		2	2	127	9.00	22
Tryon, Erskine M.	C. Arthur Lincoln.	Miss Susan Harper, Tryon, N. C.	162	4	7			173		
Union (N. C.).	W. M. Stevens.	W. H. Garrison, Burlington, N. C., R. 2	345	4	2	5	6	340	10.50	27
Union (Va.).	C. E. Newman.	Arnold Dunhley, Virgilina, Va.	351	20	1	7		365	10.00	25
Winston-Salem.	W. M. Jay.	Mrs. Roy T. Cann, 313 Corona St.	75	3	2	1	8	71	4.00	9
Totals.			8830	502	134	82	398	8662	\$ 530.47	\$1159

*Includes those dropped from roll for other reasons, totaling, 324.

CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

Paid on Convention Home Missions.	Paid on Convention Foreign Missions.	Paid on Elon College Fund.	Paid on Superannuated Fund.	Raised for Christian Education.	Raised for Orphanage.	Raised by Missionary Association.	Raised by Woman's Missionary Society.	Raised for Other Benevolences.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Paid on Other Expenses, Including Sunday School.	Total Raised, Including Sunday School.	Value of Church Property.
\$ 10.00 35.20	\$ 10.00 35.20	\$ 23.72 88.00	\$ 5.00 17.60	\$ 2.50 8.80	\$ 20.00 88.00	\$ 25.00		\$ 125.28	\$ 598.00 450.00 875.00 250.00 250.00	\$ 439.00 1,061.05 1,725.00 837.42 101.00	\$1,125.72 1,982.83 2,600.00 1,204.92 478.00	\$ 13,000 14,800 12,000 5,000 2,500
11.20 11.00	11.20 30.00	28.00 10.00	5.60 6.00	2.80	28.00 44.00	15.00		26.00				
35.16 35.20 140.00 4.50 16.00	38.10 35.20 471.34 2.50 16.00	8.70 88.00 425.12 5.00 7.50	13.01 17.60 189.54 4.00 8.00	8.29 8.80 80.00 1.00 4.00	14.30 88.00 2427.26 10.00 27.50		\$1068.02 3.50	22.65 11.00	200.00 400.00 3,000.00 115.29 230.00	427.95 470.50 5,975.00 124.98 87.20	423.16 1,192.00 14,142.28 273.77 418.70	2,000 5,000 100,000 600 1,000
126.25 184.00 2.00 128.00 160.00	277.25 184.00 2.00 128.00 160.00	407.85 2.00 320.00 400.00	92.00 1.50 64.00 80.00	46.00 1.30 32.00 40.00	330.61 2.00 200.00 287.82	22.50 15.00	385.10 295.00 404.76	350.00 1,620.00 2,245.00 18.05 900.00 120.73	1,620.00 2,245.00 18.05 900.00 2,000.00	7,061.00 2,869.83 1.70 498.47 3,387.48	9,434.50 7,022.89 34.05 2,758.47 7,265.79	28,000 57,000 3,500 7,000 51,000
27.38 27.20 22.64 10.00 45.70	27.38 27.20 22.65 10.00 35.20	29.53 68.00 10.00 25.00 88.00	8.39 13.60 16.50 5.00 17.60	8.00 6.80 8.80 5.00 8.80	77.39 125.00 70.00 10.00 91.00	5.00	30.00	80.88	982.09 350.00 252.00 175.05 400.00	936.89 192.05 563.49 35.00 250.70	2,144.05 928.43 1,014.08 295.00 1,094.26	12,000 5,000 5,000 1,500 3,500
3.70 5.00 35.20	3.69 4.00 35.20	5.75 10.00 88.00	4.80 3.00 17.60	2.40 2.00 8.80	12.81 10.00 225.00			10.00	143.00 100.00 400.00	125.00 35.35 1,409.29	324.75 171.35 2,306.79	2,000 1,500 10,000
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19.20 19.20	19.20 19.20	48.00 48.00	9.60 9.60	4.80 4.80	60.00 48.00			63.45	225.00 220.45	135.00 446.16	610.95 887.11	4,000 3,000
30.05	35.53	56.00 49.65	11.20 17.60	5.60 8.80	125.00	5.00	22.00	66.65	300.00	64.87	752.90 124.75	2,500 4,000
5.25 30.63 2.00 5.75	15.75 30.63 2.00 5.75	8.50 75.00 2.00 5.00	8.64 26.40 2.00 3.50	4.32 13.20 1.63 2.50	163.50 2.00 10.23	15.00 10.00	25.00 160.00 10.00	25.00	225.00 1,590.00 15.57 250.00	415.40 5,438.62 17.33 436.00	715.95 7,619.78 48.58 751.23	1,500 50,000 2,000 2,750
22.40	22.40	56.00	11.20	5.60	60.00			47.41 29.00	300.00 2,700.00 1,040.00 420.00 360.00	513.59 1,113.00 362.33 234.00 639.64	1,070.00 3,962.00 1,740.88 955.87 1,162.64	3,000 24,000 7,500 15,000 10,000
\$1322.81	\$1836.04	\$2784.82	\$ 766.38	\$ 378.11	\$5008.59	\$ 327.50	\$2837.35	\$1089.05	\$25,755.31	\$40,195.63	\$81,438.43	\$491,650

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—N. C. & VA. CONFERENCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Number on Cradle Roll.	Number in Home Department.	Total Enrollment.	Total Amount Raised During Year.
Albemarle.....	R. D. Plyler, 910 Salisbury St.....	16	1		247	227.00
Apple's Chapel.....	Russell Busick, Brown Summit, N. C.....	12	8		252	257.51
Asheville.....	Norman Scinner, 77 Montbow Drive.....	10			114	110.00
Belew Creek.....	James Self, Belew Creek, N. C.....	7			131	68.10
Berea.....	W. S. Simpson, R. 1, Elon College.....	9			159	191.00
Bethel.....	J. F. O'Ferrel, R. 2, Burlington, N. C.....	6	30		135	11.75
Bethlehem.....	J. E. Wilkins, R. 2, Elon College, N. C.....	18			213	260.50
Burlington.....	J. I. Somers, 1100 Church St.....	45	25	7		3,663.33
Carolina.....	J. W. Trollinger, Burlington, R. F. D.....	7	9		141	99.98
Concord.....	W. R. Simmons, Yanceyville, N. C.....	5			36	12.50
Danville.....	F. J. Allen, Myrtle Ave., Danville, Va.....	29			725	1,241.00
Durham.....	E. N. Jones, City Hall, Durham, N. C.....	27	10	25	367	798.92
Elk Spur.....	Jesse H. Meredith, Fancy Gap, Va.....	2			22	1.70
Elon College.....	W. B. Terrell, Elon College, N. C.....	20	10		185	105.00
Greensboro First.....	S. D. Scott, 807 Scott Ave., Greensboro.....	22	24		312	688.08
Greensboro, Palm St.....	C. E. Brady, 56 Poplar St., Greensboro.....	12			252	445.54
Happy Home.....	R. J. Hudson, Reidsville, N. C.....	8			132	173.26
Haw River.....	Herma Neese, Haw River, N. C.....	8			158	239.39
Hebron.....	Kent Rice, Nelson, Va.....	8			54	15.00
Hines Chapel.....	J. W. Barker, Greensboro, N. C., R. 5.....	10	9		189	192.77
Hopedale.....	C. B. Sumner, Burlington, N. C., R. 5.....	8			168	
Howard's Chapel.....	Miss Mary Madison, Reidsville, R. 4.....	6			44	35.00
Ingram.....	J. K. Landrum, Vernon Hill, Va.....	14	8		125	215.01
Ivy Hill.....	No School.....					
Kallam's Grove.....	Ivie Washburn, Madison, N. C., R. 2.....	6			55	55.00
Lebanon.....	H. G. Earp, Milton, N. C.....	5			35	58.54
Liberty.....	Jas. T. Whitt, Nathalie, Va.....	12			97	82.67
Long's Chapel.....	R. W. Barnette, Mebane, N. C., R. 1.....	10			107	138.88
Lynchburg.....	J. W. Tolley, 1606 McKinney St.....	13			109	*
Monticello.....	Eulin Cumbie, Brown Summit, N. C.....	8	10		80	112.78
Mt. Bethel.....	Frank Lester, Summerfield, N. C., R. 1.....	9			101	149.69
Mt. Zion.....	R. C. Workman, Mebane, N. C.....	9			99	100.00
New Hope.....	No School.....					
New Lebanon.....	W. T. Moore, Reidsville, N. C., R. 4.....	11			155	142.00
Pleasant Grove.....	No Report.....					
Pleasant Ridge.....	J. H. Crutchfield, Kernersville, N. C.....	6			61	79.20
Reidsville.....	Clyde Fields, Reidsville, N. C.....	23			485	550.75
Rocky Ford.....	Walter Edwards, Fancy Gap, Va.....	10			150	7.38
Salem Chapel.....	H. V. Marshall, Walnut Cove, N. C.....	7	15		86	49.00
Salisbury.....	No Report.....					
Shallow Ford.....	Samuel Barber, Elon College, R. 2.....	14			183	175.04
Tryon.....	Nelson Jackson, Jr., Tryon, N. C.....	15	7		99	174.00
Union (N. C.).....	J. H. Rascoe, R. 3, Burlington, N. C.....	11			135	251.61
Union (Va.).....	A. R. Seat, Virginia, Va.....	8			74	105.42
Winston Salem.....	W. L. Padgett, 511 N. Highland St.....	9	3	10	97	127.79
Totals.....		495	183	42	6,905	\$11,344.99

*Unified Budget

Proceedings of the One Hundred Thirteenth Annual Session of the Eastern North Carolina Conference.

WAKE CHAPEL CHRISTIAN CHURCH, FUQUAY SPRINGS, N. C.
NOVEMBER 22, 23, 1938.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The One Hundred and Thirteenth Annual Session of the Eastern North Carolina Conference of the Congregational-Christian Churches met and was called to order by Rev. F. Ervin Hyde, President, at 10:00 A. M.

Song Service was conducted by Rev. J. A. Denton.

Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. R. T. Grissom.

ENROLLMENT.

The roll was called and the following were enrolled:

Ministers—E. M. Carter, J. A. Denton, Geo. N. Edwards, Jas. L. Foster, J. E. Franks, R. T. Grissom, F. E. Hyde, B. J. Howard, J. Lee Johnson, S. E. Madren, J. E. Neese, C. Rexford Raymond, M. T. Sorrell, Carl H. Voss, W. C. Wicker.
Licentiate—W. A. Grissom.

Churches and Delegates.

Amelia—W. L. Johnson, Mrs. W. L. Johnson, B. Lee Penny, Mrs. B. Lee Penny.
Antioch—H. L. Wall, S. R. Jones.
Auburn—Mrs. Jessie Watts, Mrs. Ella Mae Poole, Edd Poole.
Bethel—E. C. Smith, A. Holleman.
Bethlehem—R. D. Daniel.
Beulah—A. W. Watkins, C. J. Perry, Sue May Raybon.
Caroleigh—No report.
Cary—Report.
Catawba Springs—
Chapel Hill—E. W. Nevell, Marvin McCauley, Mrs. Marvin McCauley.
Charleston—Reported.
Christian Light—
Christian Chapel—E. V. Dickens, J. W. Poe.
Clayton—W. H. Duncan, Troy Norise.
Damascus—Reported.
Ebenezer—Reported.
Fuller's Chapel—C. C. Coghill, Mrs. C. C. Coghill, Ida Mae Edwards.
Good Hope—Reported.

Hayes Chapel—W. S. Stone, Mrs. Lee Sandy, Mrs. Frank Carroll.

Henderson—E. M. Powell, C. D. Horton.

Lebanon—Reported.

Lee's Chapel—

Liberty (Vance)—L. L. Stainback, Mrs. Charles Dunn, Mrs. W. S. Ayscue, Mrs. M. E. Currin.

Martha's Chapel—J. B. Morgan, Mrs. M. E. Jones.

Mebane—Reported.

Morrisville—Lucille Johnson, Mrs. Meta Clements.

Moore Union—N. G. Burnes, Mrs. N. G. Burnes, Mrs. J. W. Lett.

Mt. Auburn—Reported.

Mt. Carmel—Mrs. B. G. Jackson, Emma Mitchell, Alford Mitchell.

Mt. Gilead—Eddie Nelms, Mrs. Eddie Nelms.

Mt. Hermon—L. W. Smith, Mamie Munford.

New Elam—W. M. Goodwin, Mrs. W. M. Goodwin, W. E. Peele, Mrs. W. E. Peele.

New Hill—

New Hope—Andrew Denton, Rudolph Arnold, Odell Arnold, Michell Tonny.

Oak Level—Myrtel Bridges, Merna Young, W. H. Hudson.

O'Kelley's Chapel—

Piney Plain—Mrs. L. L. Woodall, G. C. Oliver, D. I. Stevens.

Pleasant Hill—Brooks Creech, Sidney Barham.

Pleasant Union—Joe Johnson, Mrs. Lena Wilder, Mrs. Flora G. Milton.

Plymouth—B. G. Partin, E. P. Johnson.

Pope's Chapel—J. W. House, Mrs. J. W. House, G. H. Pergerson.

Raleigh—L. L. Vaughan, W. S. Bridges.

Sanford—Mrs. John Thomas, Mrs. Paul Wicker, A. H. McIver.

Shallow Well—W. S. Matthews, Mrs. W. S. Matthews, Mrs. Geo. Watson.

Southern Pines—

Turner's Chapel—Duke Horton, Blennie Dunson, Mrs. R. L. Ross.

Wake Chapel—K. B. Johnson, W. J. Ballentine, R. M. Dickens, M. D. Smith.

Wentworth—Geo. M. Williams, W. M. Rowland, C. C. Banks.

Youngsville—Mrs. W. A. Massey, J. L. Brown.

Supt. Chas. D. Johnston was introduced to Conference and by motion he was seated as a deliberative member.

The President appointed the following Special Committees:

Nominations—L. L. Vaughan, K. B. Johnson, C. D. Horton.

Press—E. M. Powell, Rev. F. C. Lester.

Place—Mrs. R. L. Ross, Rev. J. L. Foster, Rev. J. Lee Johnson.

Resolution—Mrs. E. M. Carter, Rev. J. E. Franks.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

No business has come before this Committee except the issuing of a certificate of transfer to Dr. J. Edwin Kirby to the Northwestern Association of the Ohio Conference.

F. E. HYDE, *Chairman.*

Report adopted.

REPORT OF THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

Your Committee has arranged a program for this session of Conference which we present for your consideration.

F. E. HYDE, *Chairman.*

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP.

We, your Committee on Stewardship, submit the following report:

A steward is one in charge of that which belongs to another. The believer is a steward of God, having been bought with a price and is therefore not his own; but he, himself, with all that he possesses, belongs to God, and is therefore responsible to appropriate his time, talent, and money to the service of God. According to Luke 16:2 every believer will give an account of his stewardship to God. If judged faithful, he will receive a reward; if unfaithful, will suffer loss.

We therefore recommend the following:

1. That we use our time and energy as "stewards of the manifold graces of God" to buy up the opportunities as they come to us.

2. That we "present our bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is our reasonable service."

3. That each one study the Scriptures which pertain to Christian giving and give as taught by the Word of God.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. DENTON,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Welcome Address by Rex Powell; responded to by Rev. S. E. Madren.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE.

The drink habit is making men and women of this country notorious and paupers as well. The Sabbath is perhaps being made the most unholy day of the week.

The sanctity of the home is rapidly passing, as proved by the divorce courts and the number of young criminals in our prisons.

Paul wrote, "I will that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety." But, alas, some now at times are so nearly without apparel that they are shamefully indecent and yet not ashamed to appear in public.

Thus we see that we are living in an age that offers a great challenge to the Church to give service to a social world. However, we dare not accept the challenge and try to do the service in our own strength. But we should dare to do in the name of Him that we know as our only Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Human process cannot produce Christian society. Men cannot be made good by law, but by grace only. As we have the abiding love of God in our own hearts, we will hate sin but love the sinner. We will not yield to the temptations of our social friends and thus lose our influence over them, but we will yield ourselves to Jesus Christ that he may use us to do His will, as He did God's will when on earth.

Let us now consider His method of doing the will of His Father. Christ knew that men were not made good by telling them that they were bad. He also knew how to lead them to see themselves as sinners and become willing to accept Him and His righteousness.

May we see Him as He introduces a lengthy conversation with the woman of Samaria at the well. Notice how tactfully, socially, and friendly He led her until she saw herself as a sinner and accepted Him as her needed Savior, and many others believed on Him because of the words of this woman.

One day He looked up and said to Zaccheus perhaps unexpectedly, "Zaccheus, make haste and come down, for today I must abide at thy house." While the Master was going home with Zaccheus, some accused Him, as before, that He was going to be guest of, and eat and drink with a sinner. But the Master was not ashamed. Let us try His plan that He may prove to us its worth in that it proved to be a salvation day for Zaccheus.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. FRANKS, *Chairman.*

While the report was pending, Rev. Thomas A. Tripp, D. D., Associate Director of Church Extension Division of the Board of Home Missions, New York, was introduced to Conference and spoke on the subject of "Social Activity." The report was adopted.

A request by the Charleston Church for a transfer that they might unite with the Georgia Conference was read.

By motion the request was granted subject to the approval of the Southern Christian Convention.

Moved and carried that we go on record as approving the action of the Southern Convention, giving to each church the privilege of a delegate to the Convention by recommendation to Conference for election.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1937.	
Nov. 1.	Balance on hand from 1936 \$ 402.12
	Collection on 1937 apportionments 1,147.98
	<hr/> \$1,550.10
1937.	
Nov. 30.	To L. L. Vaughan, Treasurer \$ 884.00
Nov. 30.	To Rev. E. M. Carter, Secretary 25.00
1938.	
Jun. 5.	To Central Publishing Co. 61.25
	<hr/> 970.85
Nov. 15.	Balance from 1937 apportionments \$ 579.85

W. J. BALLENTINE, *Treasurer.*

The report was received and by motion referred to the Committee on Finance.

Rev. F. C. Lester, Editor of *The Christian Sun*, and his wife, Mrs. F. C. Lester, were introduced to Conference and seated as deliberative members.

In the absence of Rev. Geo. N. Edwards, the President appointed Rev. R. T. Grissom to act on the Committee on Education and the Standing Committee of the Ministry.

The Annual Sermon was preached by Rev. F. C. Lester.

Communion Services were conducted by Rev. J. E. Franks, assisted by all the ordained ministers.

Adjourned for lunch. Benediction by Rev. Thomas A. Tripp.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President.

Song Service was conducted by Joe W. Stephenson.

Devotional Services were conducted by Rev. R. T. Grissom.

Supt. Chas. D. Johnston spoke to the interest of all concerning the work of the Orphanage. The offering amounted to \$25.60.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

We, your Nominating Committee, submit nominations for the ensuing year as follows:

President—Rev. F. Irvin Hyde.

Vice-President—Rev. J. Everette Neese.

Secretary—Rev. E. M. Carter.

Assistant Secretary—Rev. S. E. Madren.

Treasurer—W. J. Ballentine.

Respectfully submitted,

L. L. VAUGHAN,

K. B. JOHNSON,

C. D. HARTON,

Committee.

By motion the report was accepted and the nominees were elected officers for the ensuing year.

REPORT OF HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Home Missions, submit the following report:

By action of the Annual Conference, in session at Liberty, Vance, Church, in 1936, your Committee was authorized to use all Conference Home Mission funds for a period of five years in the creation and maintenance of a Rural Pastorate. In addition to the amount to be appropriated by our Conference, the Mission Board of the Southern Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches offered us the use of the parsonage at Franklinton, N. C., provided this special pastorate should be formed in that vicinity which it is believed embraces a number of small churches that offer possibilities of an increased membership and a greater usefulness for our denomination. During that Conference year sufficient funds failed to accumulate. Therefore, the Committee deemed it unwise to form the pastorate at that time.

Again last year the Conference reaffirmed its faith in the plan and authorized a new committee to continue the efforts to form this pastorate. During the past year this committee has been at work, investigating several possibilities. They report that the prospects of forming such a pastorate are good, but certain difficulties are involved. An insufficient amount of money has made it impossible to complete the arrangements as originally planned.

A consultation on the part of your Home Mission Committee with the Conference Treasurer just prior to this session revealed the fact that there are as yet no special funds set aside for this project. We do find, however, that there is a balance of \$579.85 in the treasury at this time, same being designated for the work of Superannuation and Home Missions within the boundaries of the Conference. We therefore make the following recommendations:

1. That 80 per cent of the balance in the treasury be set aside for the creation of the Home Mission Fund.

2. That 20 per cent of all undesignated funds in the future be placed in the special Home Mission Fund for work within the boundaries of the Conference.

3. That all our churches in the Conference be strongly urged to contribute to the Conference Home Mission Fund.

4. That if suitable arrangements can be made for the selected group of churches to extend a call to a minister whom the committee will approve, that the pastorate be formed at once.

5. That in the event that this pastorate is not formed by the 1939 session of this Conference, that the matter be dropped and that your Home Mission Committee shall be authorized to make further appropriations not to exceed the amount herein provided for to various worthy projects within the boundaries of our Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. McIVER,
K. B. JOHNSON,
L. L. VAUGHAN,
Committee.

Address by Rev. Thomas A. Tripp, D. D. Subject: "Evangelism Through the Country Church."

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Apportionments submitted its report, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

The Committee on Finance of the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Church as recorded in the proceedings of the Thirty-Third Regular Session of said Convention reports that for each year, for the next biennium, the Convention will need \$44,000.00 to be apportioned as follows:

Convention Fund	\$ 5,000.00
Convention (Home) Missions	5,000.00
Foreign Missions	5,000.00
Elon College Fund	12,500.00
Superannuation Fund	2,500.00
Christian Education	1,500.00
Orphanage	12,500.00

\$44,000.00

This amount is to be raised by the several Conferences comprising the Convention and the amount allotted to the Eastern North Carolina Conference is \$6,250.00 and subdivided as follows:

Convention Fund	\$ 710.00
Convention (Home) Missions	710.00
Foreign Missions	710.00
Elon College Fund	1,800.00
Superannuation Fund	355.00
Christian Education	215.00
Orphanage	1,750.00

\$ 6,250.00

A study of the Apportionment Table for 1938 for the Eastern North Carolina Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches reveals the fact that the grand total, including Conference Fund, amount to \$6,544.00. The Conference Fund is \$226.00 and this amount deducted from the total would leave a balance of \$6,318.00. This balance is slightly greater than the total apportionment asked of this Conference and which is presumably equitably apportioned to the several churches of the Conference.

APPORTIONMENTS—1938.

	Conference Fund	Convention Missions	Foreign Missions	Convention Fund	Elon College	Superannuation Fund	Christian Education	Orphanage	Totals
Amelia	\$ 3	\$ 9	\$ 9	\$ 9	\$ 24	\$ 4	\$ 2	\$ 10	70
Antioch	5	15	15	15	39	7	4	20	120
Auburn	6	18	18	18	46	9	4	25	142
Bethel	3	9	9	9	24	4	2	10	70
Bethlehem	2	7	7	7	18	3	1	5	50
Beulah	2	8	8	8	21	4	2	10	63
Caroleigh	1	4	4	4	12	2	1	5	33
Cary	2	5	5	5	14	2	1	18	52
Catawba Springs ..	7	21	21	21	54	10	5	135	274
Chapel Hill	5	14	14	14	36	7	3	10	103
Charleston	11	47	47	47	50	8	5	20	235
Christian Light ...	5	15	15	15	39	7	4	25	125
Christian Chapel ..	6	19	19	19	48	9	4	10	134
Clayton	3	12	12	12	30	6	3	10	88
Damascus	5	15	15	15	39	7	4	20	120
Ebenezer	4	14	14	14	36	7	3	30	122
Fuller's Chapel ...	4	14	14	14	36	7	3	30	122
Good Hope	3	11	11	11	29	5	2	5	70
Haye's Chapel	2	7	7	7	18	3	1	15	50
Henderson	7	24	24	24	60	12	6	75	232
Lebanon	2	7	7	7	18	3	2	10	56
Lee's Chapel	2	7	7	7	18	3	1	10	55
Liberty	18	59	59	59	149	29	14	150	537
Martha's Chapel ..	2	7	7	7	18	3	1	10	55
Mebane	2	3	3	3	14	3	1	20	47
Morrisville	2	4	4	4	9	1	1	15	40
Moore's Union ...	3	10	10	10	25	5	2	10	75
Mt. Auburn	7	24	24	24	60	12	6	125	282
Mt. Carmel	4	12	12	12	30	6	3	20	69
Mt. Gilead	5	18	18	18	45	9	4	5	122
Mt. Hermon	2	7	7	7	18	3	2	35	81
New Elam	9	30	30	30	75	15	7	35	231
New Hope	6	20	20	20	51	10	5	5	137
Niagara	1	3	3	3	9	1	1	5	29
Oak Level	5	18	18	18	45	9	4	35	152
Piney Plains	5	18	18	18	45	9	4	35	152
Pleasant Hill	3	9	9	9	24	4	2	35	95
Pleasant Union ...	6	20	20	20	51	10	5	35	167
Plymouth	3	9	9	9	24	4	2	35	95
Pope's Chapel	4	14	14	14	36	7	3	25	117
Raleigh	9	30	30	30	74	14	7	30	224
Sanford	6	21	21	21	54	10	5	60	198
Shallow Well	8	26	26	26	66	13	6	60	231
Southern Pines	6	21	21	21	54	10	5	10	148
Turner's Chapel ..	3	9	9	9	24	4	2	40	100
Wake Chapel	12	38	38	38	96	19	9	210	460
Wentworth	3	12	12	12	30	6	3	120	198
Youngsville	2	8	8	8	21	4	2	15	68

Total \$ 226 \$ 752 \$ 752 \$ 752 \$1856 \$ 349 \$ 169 \$1728 \$6544

It is a known fact that there is no functioning organization at Caroleigh, although the Apportionment Table indicates that there is an apportionment against this church of \$33.00. It is quite probable that several other churches in the Conference will not be able to pay the apportionment allotted, and therefore, it appears doubtful that the Conference will be able to meet the obligation imposed upon it by the Southern Convention. Such a condition is to be deplored rather than condoned, and it is the opinion of the Finance Committee of the Conference that the Executive Committee of the Conference should endeavor in some way to bring about a closer integration of our churches in this Conference that they might more fully appreciate their possibilities and responsibilities and thereby become a greater asset to our denomination as a whole.

The committee wishes to call attention to the report of the Committee on Finance of the Southern Convention as adopted by the Convention in session at Portsmouth, Virginia, April 26-29, 1938. While the whole report is of general interest to the local churches, there are certain items in the report which are of especial interest to the local churches with reference to their apportionment and it is the desire of this committee to call special attention to items 8, 9, 14, and 15. These items should prove helpful to local church secretaries and treasurers.

After making this rather brief statement of the apportionment situation as it exists in our Conference and the Convention, your committee wishes to recommend as follows:

1. That the individual church apportionment as printed in the Apportionment Table for 1938, page 112 of the 1937 ANNUAL remain the same for 1939, deleting the names of those churches which have disbanded or are inactive and adding any churches which have come into the Conference.

2. That the Conference secretary apprise the individual churches of the recommendations of the Apportionment Committee herein set forth either through the delegates to this Conference or by mailing to the secretary of each church in the Conference a notice of the apportionment suggested; this information to be given to the churches at the beginning of the Conference year rather than at the close.

3. That each individual church, through its Finance Committee or Board of Deacons, carefully study their respective apportionment and determine whether or not they feel the church can meet it, taking into consideration the fact that individual gifts can be credited on the apportionment.

4. That any suggested change in apportionment by any individual church of the Conference be reported to the Conference Secretary as early as possible after Conference adjourns, that action may be taken by the Executive Committee before the printing of the Apportionment Table in THE ANNUAL.

Respectfully submitted,

L. L. VAUGHAN,

W. J. BALLENTINE,

Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON EVANGELISM.

Evangelism is not a call to the Church to save the world, but to go "into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," thus witnessing unto all of Him, so that a number shall be called out of the world through faith in a crucified and risen Lord to become His peculiar people. This witnessing should be done by pulpit and pew, by preacher and personal worker, by prayer, by purse, by word, and by works.

There should be more stress in our preaching, testimonies, daily life, conferences and conventions, on soul winnings. We should all be more like Father Bryan of Birmingham, Alabama, who, while evangelism was being discussed in a convention, went out and won a soul to Christ.

I think that the Eastern North Carolina Conference will show some gain in souls won. There have been splendid meetings in a number of churches

and I believe more personal work done outside the walls of the Church than usual. A good meeting of four weeks' duration was held in the Clayton church, which had no pastor and the work there seems to be getting on its feet again.

We earnestly beseech every believer to seek by prayer and supplication before the throne of grace that God would give us a passion for souls that cannot be quenched save by death itself. We entreat the saints of God to make known the gospel of salvation through the shed blood of the Son of God to lost sinners everywhere. We beg that the old, old story of Isaiah—of how "The Lord laid on Him the iniquity of us all," and of Paul when he said, "For He hath made Him to be sin for us who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him," and of Peter who wrote, "Who His own self bear our sins in His own body"—be proclaimed in the power of the Holy Spirit.

J. LEE JOHNSON.

Report adopted.

In the report of the Entertainment Committee, homes for the delegates and visitors were provided.

Conference adjourned to meet at 7:30 this evening.

Benediction by E. M. Powell.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order by Marvin McCauley, President of Pilgrim Fellowship.

Song Service was conducted by Joe W. Stephenson.

Devotional Service was conducted by Mrs. Brookston Eaves.

Address by Rev. Thomas A. Tripp, D. D.

Some impressions of the North Carolina Pilgrim Fellowship, which met with the church at Liberty (Vance), were given by Rev. J. L. Neese and Mrs. Brookston Eaves.

Adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9:30.

Benediction by Rev. L. E. Smith, D. D.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President.

Song Service was conducted by Rev. J. A. Denton.

Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. E. M. Carter.

Roll was called and minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Rev. L. E. Smith, D. D., President of Elon College, and Rev. Joseph Laughran, of the Debt of Honor Campaign, New York, were introduced and seated as deliberative members.

Report on Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

We need only to think a moment to realize that there was never a time when Christian education was more needed than it is today. The sins of the day are crowding in on us from every side. The minister, the officers of the church, the teachers of the Sunday school, the old and the young alike, are all exposed to these sinister influences. If you are acquainted with Church

history, you will remember that the early Church was exposed to similar evils. The only weapon used by the members of the early Church was Christian Education, directed by the Holy Spirit. Your committee is of the opinion that the same weapon can be used to the same effect today.

In every home throughout this Conference there needs to be a program of daily Christian Education with the Bible, God's inspired word, occupying the major place. There is in our Conference a Pilgrim Fellowship organization which merits the support and interest of all churches. We urge you to send your young people to the designated meetings of this organization where they can come face to face with Christian Education at work.

In July at the session of the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention, there was a fair representation of the churches of the Eastern North Carolina Conference. Yet your committee somehow feels that there are other churches which need the instruction and inspiration which this Convention affords.

Your Committee recommends:

1. That each church have at least one delegate in attendance at the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention which will meet in July of 1939.

2. That each church and Sunday School cooperate with the Board of Christian Education of the Southern Convention by raising the funds asked for by Conference and the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention.

3. That each young person in the Conference consider the Christian Educational advantages to be obtained by attending the Pilgrim Fellowship gatherings.

4. That each church, at the proper session of the year, present the interests of the various institutions which we support. An informed membership is a working membership.

5. That *The Christian Sun*, *The Pilgrim Highroad*, the *Missionary Herald*, and the magazine on Social Action be included among your periodicals to aid in promoting Christian Education.

Respectfully submitted,

J. EVERETTE NEESE,

W. M. McCAULEY,

Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

In reality there is no difference in the purpose of Home or Foreign Missions. Foreign is the title given to the missionary enterprise in other lands than our own. Jesus would not place more emphasis on one than on the other. The cause was the same to Him. His challenging command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel" was made to those who became his faithful followers. In every land and country on the globe people are in need of the gospel which saves from sin.

During the present crisis between China and Japan our missionaries are undergoing very severe hardships. They say, "We will not desert our Christian friends in these countries." The missionaries stand by regardless of the trying days through which they are passing. Surely now is a time when they need missionaries to bring about a better understanding between Japan and China.

Dr. C. Darby Fulton, the executive secretary for Foreign Missions of the Southern Presbyterian Church, states that this war has brought great opportunities to Christianity. "The prestige of Christianity has risen greatly in China, missionaries are welcomed, while in 1927 they were driven from Nanking. All restrictions on Bible teaching have been removed. The hearts of all are open to missionaries because of their conduct during the war. The gospel is sufficient to bring Japanese and Chinese Christians together. There are now 500,000 Christians in China."

The American Board is asking for special emergency funds for the distressed Chinese. We urge that our churches respond to this call for help. We need to go over into Macedonia and find the open opportunities.

Therefore we wish to recommend:

1. That we accept the missionary apportionment of our churches and seek to promote the cause of Christ by stressing giving to missions.
2. That each church take a special offering for missions at Easter.
3. That one Sunday a month be devoted to missions in the church and Sunday School at which time an offering be taken for missions. Many Sunday Schools give one offering a month to missions and discover that they are none the weaker for doing so. It will add strength to any church that practices the same.
4. We recommend that our ministers enthusiastically proclaim a gospel which has at the heart of it the cause of missions.
5. That the educational work of the church be such as to give missionary instructions to the people of the church through the monthly program of the Sunday School.

Respectfully submitted,

S. E. MADREN,
C. D. HARTON,

Report adopted.

REPORT OF THE EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

The Twenty-Sixth Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Conference was held at Park's Cross Roads near Ramseur, N. C., Tuesday, October 4, 1938.

The attendance and hospitality were most commendable. The theme, "Till We All Attain," was very beautifully carried out by our efficient president, Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne and others who took part on the program.

The addresses of Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Elon College, N. C., and Mrs. Mildred H. Hess of Madura, India, were inspirational and challenging.

The treasurer's report showed that the total receipts for the year were \$3,896.62.

Thirteen out of the fourteen women's missionary societies of Eastern North Carolina Conference reported. The financial report for the year is as follows:

Woman's Societies	\$ 651.93
Young People's Societies.....	10.00

Total for all Societies..... \$ 661.93

Let us accept the challenge, shoulder the responsibility, and go forward with renewed faith in our missionary work.

MRS. E. M. CARTER.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN.

Now for some history concerning our church paper:

One of the first efforts exerted by the Christians in the South toward the establishment of a Church Paper was in the year 1833 at Kedar (now Mount Auburn) Church, Warren County, N. C. At this meeting of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, of which the present Eastern North Carolina Conference was a part, a resolution was presented to the effect:

"That efforts be made to establish in North Carolina the printing of a paper to be entitled the *Christian Intelligencer*; and that the treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay out of the treasury, if there be sufficient surplus,

\$50.00 to the support of said paper; that Brothers Elijah Lewelling, Thomas Reeves, D. W. Kerr, and J. P. LeMay be and are hereby appointed Editorial Committee to conduct the printing of the same."

So far as records reveal, noting was done beyond this point to establish such a paper.

Nine years after the first attempt to establish a church paper in the North Carolina and Virginia Conference there was a called session of this Conference at Union Church, Orange (now Alamance) County, N. C., on May 14, 1842. This session was called especially to consider the definite establishment of a Church Paper. The following is a resolution which was presented at this Conference by Elder T. P. Fowler:

"Resolved, that a monthly periodical newspaper be established amongst us, to be denominated *The Christian Sun*."

Following this resolution a motion was made by Elder J. K. Cole to the effect: "That a committee of 12 be appointed to be denominated the Southern Christian Publishing Committee, to superintend the publication of said paper and select some suitable person as editor; also to take immediate measures for issuing a prospectus to obtain the requisite amount of subscribers, to select some suitable place, and to make the necessary arrangements for its early publication."

The following brethren were selected to serve as a publishing committee: "Elders Thomas J. Fowler, Jesse K. Cole, Tapley Petty, Lovick Lambeth, Shubal Ivans, and Martin Staley; laymen James A. Whitsit, John R. Holt, James Graham, Thomas Lynch, Samuel Hargroves, and Bingham Apple."

The Committee on Publication met upon adjournment of the above Conference and formulated the following report:

"Resolved, that Thomas Lynch of Orange County, N. C., be appointed chairman of the committee.

"Resolved, that Elder D. W. Kerr of Junto, Orange County, be selected as editor of *The Christian Sun*.

"Resolved, that 300 copies of a suitable prospectus be forthwith circulated to procure subscribers and that the subscriptions . . . be returned to the editor at Junto, if possible, as early as the first of August next."

During the next year the records do not reveal that anything was done as to publishing a Church Paper. Doubtless during this time Mr. Kerr was busy laying a foundation and making the plans for a paper. Elder Kerr did not speak of the paper in public until the Conference at Pleasant Grove, Randolph County, N. C., September 29, 1843, when he simply announced: That the publication of *The Christian Sun* would soon be commenced.

The first issue of *The Christian Sun* was published February 17, 1844, with Elder Daniel W. Kerr as editor and Dennis Heart of Hillsboro, N. C., as printer. At that time it was a monthly paper of 16 pages, and the price was one dollar per year in advance.

With the exception of about four years during the war between the states, *The Christian Sun*, from its beginning until now, has shed its rays of light to the people of the Christian Church.

During the time Elder Kerr served as editor of *The Christian Sun*, he received no pay for his work, although pay was received by those who traveled in behalf of the publication. While editing *The Christian Sun*, Elder Kerr supported himself by preaching and teaching. "He proved himself an able editor, a skillful wielder of the sword of the Spirit, and a staunch and valiant defender of the Christian Church and its faith." Mr. Kerr's first editorial was on "The Name Christian." While he was editor of *The Sun* he chose outstanding themes and wrote them with the hand of a master. The following

are the themes of the editorials of the first issue of *The Christian Sun*. These titles show clearly Elder Kerr's idea of the function of a religious newspaper:

"The Name Christian," "Eternal Things," "Repentance," "Christian Union," "Second Advent of Christ," "The Bible the Only True Guide," "The Christians in North Carolina and Virginia," "Abolition and the New England Convention," "The Christian Religion a Spiritual Religion," "Translation of the Bible," "The Christian Church," "The Virginia and North Carolina Conference."

It is true that Elder Kerr began *The Christian Sun* as a Conference enterprise, but before his death he saw it become an organ of the entire Southern Christian Church.

When the Eastern Virginia Conference met at Antioch, Isle of Wight County, Virginia, August 2, 1844, it passed the following resolution:

"Resolved, that *The Christian Sun*, printed in Hillsborough, North Carolina, is suitably located, conducted in a Christian spirit, well calculated to be a general and lasting benefit to the Christians in this state and North Carolina and merits our confidence and patronage."

Since its beginning *The Christian Sun* has had twelve editors and has been moved to different localities. To the Mount Auburn Church of the Eastern North Carolina Conference goes the honor of having entertained the first group to discuss the need of a denominational Church Paper. To Daniel Kerr belongs the honor of having launched and engineered this wonderful enterprise. With infinite caution, with almost super-human foresight, did he plan and labor and organize and wait, biding his time to begin. And when he did begin, so securely did he establish it and so deeply did he root it in the hearts and affections of our people that they have ever since defended, maintained, and supported it, until today it is among the more widely quoted publications in the South.

J. EVERETTE NEESE,
Historian.

Was adopted to be recorded in the records of Conference.

Rev. Joseph Laughran, D. D., spoke in the interest of the Debt of Honor Campaign.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND STANDING OF THE MINISTRY.

Our own Elon College has rendered wonderful service throughout its almost fifty years of history and will continue to serve if the Church stands by it. At present its physical equipment is equal to, and in many cases surpasses, any college of its size in this country. The present student body is the largest in the history of the institution and the work being done is of exceptionally high rank.

During the past few years substantial progress has been made in reducing the debts of the college and it now seems evident that it is possible to place Elon College on a solid financial basis. This, however, can be done only by the sacrificial support of the churches. Next year (1939-40) the college will observe its Fiftieth Anniversary. In the near future a definite drive is to be made to clear the college of its debt before its anniversary. Your committee suggests that each church and individual of the Conference share liberally in the anniversary program. We also recommend that the churches urge their young people to attend Elon College.

Each summer there is held on the Elon College campus a Leadership Training School for the young people and ministers of our Church. We recommend that each church send at least one delegate to this training school and that

the ministers attend the Pastors' School held in connection with the above named Training Conference.

For more instruction and inspiration we recommend that the ministers enroll in the Pastors' School held each year at Duke University.

Brother E. M. Powell, a layman of the Henderson church, comes to your committee desiring license to preach the gospel. He brings with him two letters of recommendation: one from the Henderson Church in which he has worked for three years, and one from the Beulah Christian Church in which he has been conducting services since last January. Your committee has examined Brother Powell on the various branches of learning as required by the Christian Church, and upon his experience as a Christian, and he has given satisfaction. We recommend that, at a convenient time during this session, he be licensed as a probationer to preach the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ wherever the providence of God may call him.

Mr. G. J. Green, having ceased to function as a minister in the Eastern North Carolina Conference, on which account his name has long since been dropped from the roll of our ministers, is hereby requested to return to the secretary of this Conference the credentials which were granted him by the Conference when he solemnly vowed that in becoming a minister he would discharge the duties of an elder.

We recommend that in the future all ministers be required to submit a written or oral report each year at Conference and in the event that a minister fails to report two years in succession, his name be dropped from the ministerial roll of the Conference and his credentials be demanded.

We suggest that pastors unite with the Conference in which their church or the majority of churches are located. Exceptions, however, should be made when a minister is teaching in some school or not serving churches.

William Alphonso Grissom is pursuing his studies at Yale Divinity School. Your committee recommends that his license be continued for another year.

Brother J. Lee Johnson and Brother J. E. Franks appeared before your committee on behalf of the re-instatement of Brother J. C. Cummings. We recommend that the matter be referred to the Elders of the Conference, and that the time and place be suggested and agreed upon by the elders present, and that the secretary of the Conference inform the ministers and Brother Cummings as to the date and place of meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

J. EVERETTE NEESE,
S. E. MADREN,
R. T. GRISSOM,

Committee.

While the report was pending, Dr. L. E. Smith, D. D., spoke of the work and worth of Elon College to the work of the Church.

By motion Conference adjourned for lunch, work to be resumed where we left off.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President.

Song Service was conducted by Rev. J. A. Denton.

Prayer by Rev. S. E. Madren.

The report on Ethical Standards of the Ministry was adopted.

ETHICAL STANDARDS OF THE MINISTRY.

Your Committee firmly believes that the ministry is the highest and holiest of all callings, and that the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ preached in its purity is the only thing that will save this present generation. We believe that upon one's knees is the place to find power with God and a message for men.

We therefore recommend:

That our ministers be instant in and out of season, preaching the Gospel with spiritual authority.

That our ministers recognize the value of brotherhood meetings, particularly the Piedmont Congregational-Christian Ministerial Association which meets at Elon College each month.

That this Conference continue to hold its educational standards to the equivalent of a high school education before licensure, and the equivalent of a college education before granting ordination.

That the Conference constantly guard its ministry so that only the competent and worthy may be admitted; and that it keep a constant watch over the character and reputation of its ministers, so that the worthy may be protected and the unworthy excluded.

J. EVERETTE NEESE.

Report adopted.

By motion the Secretary was authorized to notify J. C. Cummings and the Elders of Conference of the time and place of the meeting to consider the recommendation concerning Mr. Cummings' reinstatement to the full work of the gospel ministry—Raleigh, N. C., at the Christian Church, December 6, 1938, at 2:30 P. M.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Because of the many forms of so-called Religious Literature, and because of the individual mind, we, your committee, hesitate to give more than suggestions on this report. What one individual would call religious, another would call secular. Therefore, as we give these suggestions for your consideration, we would ask you to carefully consider your spiritual needs, and seek to find them among literature that is wholesome and uplifting.

With a full realization that no religion has a monopoly on salvation, we would not suggest reading denominational literature only, but acquaint yourself with what the Christ is doing for others, and what others are doing for Him. We think that the individual denomination should print literature best suited for that denomination, but if the person, Sunday School, or church finds it impossible to get literature to meet its spiritual needs, then by all means seek elsewhere to find it. With these suggestions, we, your committee, recommend the following:

1. A consecrated study of the Bible. This is a basis for all Christian literature.

2. *The Christian Sun* is our church paper, and should find its way into your home. We are proud of our church paper and urge you not only to subscribe, but to read it as well.

3. *The Missionary Herald* gives us information acquainting us with missionary enterprises of our church at home and abroad. We recommend it to those wishing to learn of the needs of our neighbor far and near.

4. There is and has been much discussion regarding the use of our own literature, exclusively in the Sunday School. We, your committee, recommend

a careful study of our literature, and when it fits your individual needs, by all means use it, but if it does not, seek elsewhere.

In conclusion we recommend literature that fills your life with high ideas and ideals. The Bible first, and a careful selection of other literature that inspires you to be a better man or woman.

R. T. GRISSOM, *Chairman*.

Adopted.

It was moved and carried that the President appoint a committee to apportion to the various churches of the Conference the 350 new subscriptions to *The Christian Sun* which the Southern Convention allotted to the Conference.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have checked the Treasurer's receipts and disbursements and find them correct. The report shows collections at this session of Conference, \$975.00.

We recommend that an order be drawn in favor of Rev. E. M. Carter for secretarial work for 1938-39, for \$25,000.

We recommend that an order be drawn in favor of Rev. J. E. Neese, Chairman of the Educational Committee for expenses, \$3.75.

Again, we request that churches making payments on apportionments, do so in dollars only as odd cents add much extra addition and statistical work.

We urge that each church make a special effort to raise the Annual Apportionments.

JAS. L. FOSTER, *Chairman*.

Report adopted.

By the request of the President, Rev. J. Lee Johnson, licensed Brother E. M. Powell as a probationer to preach the gospel wherever the Providence of God may call.

REPORT ON SUPERANNUATION.

Since our apportionments for superannuation are small, and the needs increasing, we recommend that each minister of this Conference use his influence to encourage the churches of his charge to raise the apportionments for superannuation in full.

We recommend also that all churches be urged to stress the regular Christmas offering for this fund, and raise as much as possible, which amount will be counted on Conference Apportionments.

K. B. JOHNSON, *Chairman*.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, having enjoyed the fellowship of the ministers and delegates assembled for this session of the Annual Conference, and feeling the responsibility of the problems now facing us in the extension of the work of the Kingdom, wish to make the following resolutions:

1. That this Conference express its appreciation to the officers and committees of this organization through whose efforts the program was prepared and executed.

2. That we congratulate our president, Rev. F. Ervin Hyde, on the efficient manner in which he presided over the Conference.

3. That our churches continue to teach temperance and the evil effects of alcohol as a beverage.

4. That our church people do all they can to do away with war, and promote peace and good will between nations.

5. That we extend a rising vote of thanks to Wake Chapel Church, its pastor and members, for the splendid provision made for our comfort and entertainment during the session of Conference, and that the pastors and delegates return to their local churches with an inspired determination to carry on for the Master.

MRS. E. M. CARTER,
J. E. FRANKS,
Committee.

The report was amended, that the Conference approve the Debt of Honor Campaign, and was adopted.

By recommendation of the Committee on Place, Turner's Chapel was selected as the place for the next session of Conference.

The President appointed Standing Committees as follows:

Executive—F. E. Hyde, E. M. Carter, S. E. Madren.

Education and Standing of the Ministry—R. T. Grissom, J. E. Neese, W. C. Wicker.

Superannuation—K. B. Johnson, D. I. Stephenson, C. D. Horton.

Foreign Missions—J. A. Denton, Mrs. Chas. Dunn, Mrs. E. M. Carter.

Home Missions—L. L. Vaughan, S. E. Madren, A. H. McIver.

Apportionments—A. H. McIver, Rex Powell, W. J. Ballentine.

Christian Education—J. E. Neese, Marvin McCauley, Mrs. Brookston Eaves.

Stewardship—J. Lee Johnson, Mrs. C. C. Coghill, Mrs. Marvin McCauley.

Evangelism—J. E. Franks, Miss Lillie Fowler, R. T. Grissom.

Social Service—E. M. Powell, Marvin McCauley, L. L. Stainback.

Conference Reporter—E. M. Powell.

Historian—J. E. Neese.

Program—Pastor of Host Church, F. E. Hyde, E. M. Carter.

Finance—J. L. Foster, W. H. Hudson, W. J. Ballentine.

Religious Literature—S. E. Madren, E. W. Nevell, Mrs. Frank Carroll.

Moved and carried that the Program Committee be authorized to have printed a sufficient number of programs for the session of Conference.

Moved and carried that the Minutes be printed in THE ANNUAL and that we purchase seventy-five copies to be mailed, one each to every pastor, one to each committee chairman, and one to each church secretary.

By motion the Conference voted to contribute \$10.00 to the North Carolina Council of Churches.

By motion Rev. E. M. Carter was elected a member of the North Carolina Council of Churches; and, that the Conference pay his expenses.

Moved and carried that a committee of five members, two ministers and three laymen, be appointed to confer with Rev. F. C. Lester, Promotional Secretary, to study and simplify our financial system. The following were appointed: F. E. Hyde, S. E. Madren, W. H. Hudson, W. J. Ballentine, K. B. Johnson.

By motion Conference adjourned to meet with the church at Turner's Chapel, Tuesday after the third Sunday in November, 1939, at 10:00 A. M.

F. ERVIN HYDE, *President*,
E. M. CARTER, *Secretary*.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

E. M. Carter—Churches: Damascus, Martha's Chapel, Mt. Auburn, Fuller's Chapel, Good Hope, Youngsville. Sermons, 94; addresses, 15; conversions, don't know; members received, 20; baptisms, 18; visits, 402; funerals, 16; salary, \$890.00.

J. A. Denton—Churches: Ebenezer, Graces Chapel, Glendon, Zion, Lebanon. Sermons, 110; confessions, 65; members received, 30; baptisms, 25; marriages, 7; funerals, 12; salary, \$1,100.

Geo. N. Edwards—Church: Circular, Charleston. Sermons, 64; addresses, 30; conversions, 3; members received, 4; baptisms, 1; funerals, 1; visits, 617; marriages, 1; salary, \$2,230.00.

Jas. L. Foster—Churches: Graham, Niagara, and S. S. pastorate Newsom's Chapel. Sermons, 50; visits, 129; marriages, 1; salary, \$169.00.

J. E. Franks—No charge. Sermons, a few; conversions, several; marriages, 1; funerals, 2.

R. T. Grissom—Churches: New Elam, Amelia, Garner, Plymouth, Auburn, Lee's Chapel. Sermons, 170; addresses, 12; conversions, uncertain; members received, 80; baptisms, 63; visits, many; marriages, 3; funerals, 4; salary, \$900.00.

B. J. Howard—

F. E. Hyde—Churches: Sanford, Shallow Well. Sermons, 133; addresses, 27; conversions, difficult to estimate; members received, 6; baptisms, 8; visits, 900; marriages, 5; funerals, 19; salary, \$1,220.00.

J. Lee Johnson—Churches: Catawba Springs, Bethel, Wentworth, Piney Plain, Wake Chapel, Pleasant Union, Pleasant Hill. Sermons, 130; professions, 40; members received, 32; baptisms, 28; visits, 20; funerals, 10; salary, \$1,200.00.

S. E. Madren—Churches: Liberty, New Hope, Oak Level, Pope's Chapel, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Gilead, Antioch, Bethlehem. Sermons, 138; conversions, 37; members received, 55; baptisms, 25; visits, 900; marriages, 9; funerals, 16; salary, \$1,525.00.

J. Everette Neese—Church: Henderson. Sermons, 84; addresses, 9; conversions, 9; members received, 18; baptisms, 42; visits, 432; marriages, 6; funerals, 4; salary, \$1,200.00.

M. T. Sorrell—Church: Danville (N. C. & Va. Conf.). Sermons, 154; addresses, 75; conversions, 655; members received, 207; baptisms, 63; visits, 950; funerals, 47; salary, \$1,800.00.

Carl H. Voss—Church: Raleigh, United. Sermons, 65; addresses, 85; conversions, don't know; members received, 41; baptisms, 3; visits, 1,200; marriages, 8; funerals, 3; salary, \$2,100.00.

Walton C. Wicker—No charge. Sermons, 2; marriages, 1; funerals, 2.

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CHURCH STATISTICS—EASTERN

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Received by Profession.	Received by Letter.	Present Membership.
*Amelia.....	R. T. Grissom.....	Mrs. B. Lee Penny, Clayton, R. 2.....	92	17	3	98
Antioch.....	S. E. Madren.....	H. L. Wall, Elams.....	89	5	3	93
Auburn.....	R. T. Grissom.....	Earlie Jones, Raleigh, R. 2.....	97	9	2	106
Bethel.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	S. W. Holleman, New Hill.....	34	2	..	35
Bethlehem.....	S. E. Madren.....	W. A. Moore, Littleton, N. C., RFD.....	48	4	16	66
*Beulah.....	E. M. Powell.....	J. B. Edwards, Wake Forest, R. 2.....	129	36	25	190
Caroleigh.....		J. F. Hilliard, Cary.....	25	..	..	25
Cary.....			224	..	..	224
*Catwba Springs.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	T. A. Rosemond, Chapel Hill, N. C.....	63	1	..	62
*†Chapel Hill.....	W. J. McKee.....					
*†Charleston.....	Geo. N. Edwards.....	Agnes Kessler, 63-A Magnolia St.....	59	2	2	63
Christian Chapel.....	G. M. Talley.....	Royce B. Dickins, Corinth.....	145	7	2	150
Christian Light.....	J. C. Cummings.....	E. M. Blanchard, Fuquay Springs.....	124	7	1	126
Clayton.....	J. C. Cummings.....	W. H. Duncan, Clayton, N. C.....	58	9	..	67
†Damascus.....	E. M. Carter.....	Louise Crabtree, Chapel Hill, R. 3.....	93	..	..	92
†Ebenezer.....	J. A. Denton.....	C. Bruce Sanders, Morrisville R. 1.....	221	1	..	213
*Fuller's Chapel.....	E. M. Carter.....	Margaret Edwards, Henderson, R. 4.....	114	..	..	114
Good Hope.....	E. M. Carter.....	Cora Davis Perry, Youngsville, R. D.....	98	4	..	99
Hayes Chapel.....	J. C. Cummings.....	A. L. Hatcher, Garner.....	61	4	..	65
*†Henderson.....	J. E. Neese.....	C. D. Newman, Henderson.....	160	12	6	173
Lebanon.....	J. A. Denton.....	Mrs. B. L. Mansfield, Sanford, R. 2.....	25	..	..	25
Lee's Chapel.....	R. T. Grissom.....	Mrs. Junnie Gunter, Sanford, R. D.....	54	..	..	61
*†Liberty.....	S. E. Madren.....	Margaret P. Alston, Henderson, R. 1.....	395	11	9	406
Martha's Chapel.....	E. M. Carter.....	Jessie Horton, Apex, N. C., R. 3.....	70	5	1	69
Mebane.....	E. Hedgebeth.....	J. O. Fowler, Mebane.....	16	..	3	19
Moore Union.....	G. M. Talley.....	Mrs. J. W. Lett, Jonesboro, R. 2.....	97	1	1	98
Morrisville.....	J. S. Carden.....	E. W. Clements, Morrisville.....	28	..	..	27
*Mt. Auburn.....	E. M. Carter.....	J. L. Read, Norlina, R. D.....	151	2	2	147
Mt. Carmel.....	S. E. Madren.....	Mrs. Eva Hicks, Oxford, N. C., R. 2.....	112	9	..	118
Mt. Gilead.....	S. E. Madren.....	Susie Hight, Louisburg, R. 2.....	155	5	..	157
Mt. Hermon.....	J. S. Carden.....	Mamie Mumford, Garner, R. 2.....	44	2	..	45
New Elam.....	R. T. Grissom.....	Blanche Holt, New Hill, R. 2.....	291	2	2	287
†New Hope.....	S. E. Madren.....	John Chamblee, Louisburg, R. 1.....	203	5	1	203
†Niagara.....	J. L. Foster.....	Evelyn Snipes, Niagara.....	8	..	..	8
Oak Level.....	S. E. Madren.....	J. W. Hudson, Youngsville, R. D.....	128	1	..	121
*Piney Plain.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	Mrs. C. W. Franklin, Raleigh, R. 4.....	97	3	..	103
Pleasant Hill.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	D. O. Neighbors, Benson, N. C.....	79	10	..	88
Pleasant Union.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	Elizabeth Buie Long, Lillington, N. C.....	117	9	..	125
Plymouth.....	R. T. Grissom.....	B. G. Partin, Raleigh, R. 3.....	89	22	4	115
†Pope's Chapel.....	S. E. Madren.....	H. G. Holmes, Franklinton, R. 1.....	114	..	..	113
*†Raleigh.....	A. P. Robinson, Jr.....	S. G. Lehman, College Sta., Raleigh.....	260	6	21	273
*†Sanford.....	F. E. Hyde.....	Stella Stout, Sanford.....	195	5	1	210
*†Shallow Well.....	F. E. Hyde.....	L. J. Sloan, Jonesboro.....	212	1	..	205
*†Southern Pines.....	V. O. Taylor.....	Mrs. H. H. Pethrick, Southern Pines.....	178	13	9	190
*Turner's Chapel.....	R. T. Grissom.....	Mrs. R. L. Ross, Sanford, R. 5.....	75	4	..	77
*Wake Chapel.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	H. W. Johnson, Fuquay Springs.....	209	6	5	218
Wentworth.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	Mrs. G. M. Williams, Raleigh, R. 3.....	108	..	1	103
*Youngsville.....	E. M. Carter.....	W. G. Scarborough, Youngsville.....	44	1	..	45
Totals.....			5,337	239	118	5,570

*Church has Missionary Society.

†Church has Young People's Society.

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Conference Fund.	Convention Fund.	Convention Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Elon College Fund.	Superannuation Fund.	Raised for Christian Education.	Raised for the Orphanage.	Raised for Other Benevolences.	Raised by Missionary Societies	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Amount Paid on Church Debt.	Amount Paid for Improvements.	Current Expenses.	Total Amount Raised.	Value of Church Property.
\$ 10	\$ 4	\$ 4	\$ 5				\$ 8	\$ 11	\$ 3	\$ 125		\$ 16	\$ 35	\$ 204	\$ 3,000
22	1	6	6				14	5		100		150	16	154	2,000
7	3	5			\$ 2		19	2		50	\$ 8		34	360	2,000
								15						152	2,000
														72	1,000
2	4	4	4	\$ 10	2	\$ 2	12	36	3	100		135	29	353	2,000
									35	416	325	20	150	946	4,000
															25,000
11		6	36	50	12		27		34	2,000	252		932	3,360	60,000
24		10	10				25	20		140		10	130	280	3,000
2										125			20	234	3,000
15	3		10	1			25			40			31	42	4,000
										126	32			242	5,000
3		28	28	16			17			154			58	229	3,000
1	3			5	2		25			150				253	4,000
18		25					10			85			25	121	3,000
7	24	24	24	60	12	6	82	72	75	1,200		21	60	174	2,000
													293	1,939	12,000
										75				75	1,200
7	27		34	26	10		23		120	50				56	2,000
							143			700	180	121	176	1,544	8,000
		8	5							75				93	3,000
			5	5			15			100	125		6	257	5,000
7		4			5		11			107		250		376	3,000
10		6	5	2			10			120		8		158	1,500
7		20	20	20	5		101			250			25	441	7,000
			3			2				125		200		337	1,500
		5					2			125				132	1,500
5		16			8		26	6		140		75		276	2,000
22	14	36	37	3			30			205			47	369	3,000
							29			169			258	481	3,000
2	8	1	6	6	2	1	28	26		150			17	247	4,000
10	6	10	5	36	22	8			23	130			33	283	2,000
10			3		3			7	10	77		81		191	1,500
14	24	9	9	6	10		37			300		75	55	525	7,000
15			4				40			130				189	4,000
	20		13	26			24			150		144		377	3,000
9	15	30	23	35	27	20	56		150	2,100	23,000	700	1,038	26,203	125,000
5	5	11	11	17	5	5	49		75	720	300	781	252	2,236	5,000
8	15	6	11	15	8	6	38		69	500		85	57	818	4,000
		37			10			193	108	1,500	4,500	165	1,583	8,096	50,000
3		15	15	4			30		50	157				274	3,000
15	90	50	50	100	19	9	177	110	56	300		1,075	123	2,174	16,000
3	9	7	12	22		3	120	22		155			6	359	2,000
2	8	8	8	21	4	2	15	22	14	208		258	45	615	4,500
\$ 266	\$ 296	\$ 371	\$ 385	\$ 466	\$ 143	\$ 64	\$ 1,167	\$ 543	\$ 815	\$ 13,985	\$ 28,022	\$ 4,430	\$ 5,464	\$ 56,279	\$ 412,700

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SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS—EASTERN N. C. CONFERENCE.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Total Number on Roll.		Amount Raised During Year.
Amelia.....	W. T. Johnson, Clayton, N. C., R. 2.....	7	91	\$	35.00
Antioch.....	S. B. Spragins, Gasburg, Va.....	6	51		19.00
Auburn.....	Earlie Jones, Raleigh, N. C., R. 2.....	14	71		62.00
Bethlehem.....	W. A. Moore, Littleton, N. C., R. 3.....	6	36		15.00
Beulah.....	A. B. Perry, Wake Forest, N. C., R. 2.....	9	157		47.00
Chapel Hill.....	T. A. Rosemond, Chapel Hill, N. C.....	9	72		87.00
Charleston.....	R. A. Kessler, 45 Pitt St., Charleston, S. C.....	12	45		58.00
Christian Chapel.....	R. B. Dickens, Corinth, N. C.....	6	52		28.00
Christian Light.....	E. M. Blanchard, Fuquay Springs, N. C.....	8	128		28.00
Clayton.....	H. Moore, Clayton, N. C.....	7	66		18.00
Damascus.....	Robert Daniel, Chapel Hill, N. C., R. 3.....	6	60		65.00
Ebenezer.....	C. B. Sanders, Morrisville, N. C., R. 1.....	14	84		40.00
Fuller's Chapel.....	W. S. Briggs, Henderson, N. C., R. 4.....	6	56		242.00
Good Hope.....	Z. T. May, Youngsville, N. C., R. D.....	6	43		20.00
Hayes Chapel.....	L. H. Walton, Garner, N. C.....	6	60		179.00
Henderson.....	John A. Hall, Henderson, N. C.....	10	165		379.00
Lebanon.....	Elisha Gunter, Sanford, N. C., R. 2.....	8	30		15.00
Lee's Chapel.....	J. M. Underwood, Sanford, N. C., R. 5.....	5	53		20.00
Liberty.....	M. B. Newman, Henderson, N. C.....	24	228		300.00
Martha's Chapel.....	David Gardner, Apex, N. C., R. 3.....	6	51		18.00
Mebane.....	J. O. Fowler, Mebane, N. C.....	4	30		37.00
Moore's Union.....	N. G. Burnes, Sanford, N. C., R. 2.....	7	70		36.00
Morrisville.....	R. B. Gupton, Morrisville, N. C.....	7	29		38.00
Mt. Auburn.....	J. A. Kimball, Manson, N. C.....	8	55		30.00
Mt. Carmel.....	R. N. Evans, Franklinton, N. C., R. 1.....	11	72		27.00
Mt. Gilead.....	C. C. Bailey, Louisburg, N. C., RFD.....	6	41		25.00
Mt. Hermon.....	Guy Smith, Garner, N. C., R. 1.....	10	65		44.00
New Elam.....	G. F. Carr, New Hill, N. C., R. 2.....	7	96		93.00
New Hope.....	A. L. Arnold, Louisburg, N. C., R. 1.....	11	132		58.00
Niagara.....	L. W. Rhodes, Niagara, N. C.....	6	30		29.00
Oak Level.....	J. W. Hudson, Youngsville, N. C., R. 1.....	6	61		62.00
Piney Plain.....	J. B. Stephens, Raleigh, N. C., R. 4.....	5	87		68.00
Pleasant Hill.....	Brookes Creech, Benson, N. C.....	5	80		53.00
Pleasant Union.....	M. E. Wilder, Littleton, N. C., R. 1.....	7	57		39.00
Plymouth.....	W. B. Rowland, Raleigh, N. C., R. 3.....	8	119		52.00
Pope's Chapel.....	Ethel Holmes, Franklinton, N. C., R. 1.....	7	60		50.00
Raleigh.....	Mrs. Robt. Schmidt, College Station.....	21	139		683.00
Sanford.....	W. C. Farrell, Sanford, N. C.....	14	172		187.00
Shallow Well.....	Robert Watson, Sanford, N. C.....	11	135		143.00
Southern Pines.....	Blanche Sherman, Southern Pines, N. C.....	19	195		285.00
Turner's Chapel.....	E. S. Wicker, Sanford, N. C., R. 5.....	8	90		85.00
Wake Chapel.....	Rex Powell, Fuquay Springs, N. C.....	13	120		322.00
Wentworth.....	R. H. Brown, Raleigh, N. C., R. 3.....	7	75		62.00
Youngsville.....	Mrs. E. M. Carter, Youngsville, N. C.....	6	51		128.00
Totals.....		389	3,713	\$	2,049.00

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OCEAN VIEW CONGREGATIONAL - CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
DECEMBER 6, 1938.

MORNING SESSION.

The Forty-Seventh Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Missionary Association was called to order by Rev. Jesse H. Dollar, President, at 10:30 o'clock. The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. T. Fred Wright.

Address: "Past Contributions and Future Prospects of the Christian Missionary Association"—Rev. F. C. Lester, Promotional Secretary of the Southeast Convention.

The Executive Committee made an oral report and presented the program for the day.

Membership roll call and collection of dues.

REPORT OF FINANCIAL SECRETARY.

Berea, Norfolk—Sunday School, \$10.00; Men's Bible Class, \$10.00; Mrs. F. N. Hall, \$5.00. Total, \$25.00.

Berea, Nansemond—Ladies' Aid, \$10.00. Total, \$10.00.

Bethlehem Congregational—Church, \$10.00; Miss Ruby Konac, \$5.00. Total, \$15.00.

Bethlehem—Ladies' Aid, \$10.00. Total, \$10.00.

Christian Temple—Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, \$10.00; Church, \$10.00; Church Mission Treasurer, \$10.00; Sunday School, \$10.00; S. S. Mission Treasurer, \$10.00; Woman's Council, \$20.00; Twiddy Bible Class, \$10.00; Freindship Bible Class, \$10.00; Dorcas Class, \$10.00; Templemen's Bible Class, \$10.00; F. M. Brewer, \$10.00; T. E. Brickhouse, \$10.00; Oliver E. Hanbury, \$10.00; Mrs. E. L. Albright (Honor of M. J. W. White), \$10.00; Mrs. T. E. Brickhouse, \$5.00; Mrs. A. B. Jarvis (Memorial to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ely), \$5.00; Mrs. L. W. Stagg, \$5.00; Mrs. R. B. Wood (Memorial to Mrs. Hattie Savage), \$5.00. Total, \$170.00.

Elm Avenue—Young People's Class, \$10.00; Sunday School, \$10.00. Total, \$20.00.

Franklin—Rev. E. W. Jones, \$5.00. Total, \$5.00.

First, Norfolk—Rev. J. H. Knight, \$10.00; Rev. F. C. Lester, \$10.00; Ladies' Bible Class, \$5.00; J. S. Kagey, \$2.00; B. F. Speight, \$1.00; Pilgrim Fellowship, \$1.00. Total, \$29.00.

First, Portsmouth—Rev. R. L. House, \$10.00; Church, \$10.00; Sunday School, \$10.00; Missionary Society, \$10.00. Total, \$40.00.

Holland—Church, \$10.00; Sunday School, \$10.00; Mrs. R. H. Reidel, \$5.00. Total, \$25.00.

Holy Neck—Church, \$10.00; Sunday School, \$10.00; Baraca and Pihilathea Class, \$10.00. Total, \$30.00.

Liberty Spring—Rev. I. W. Johnson, \$10.00; Church, \$10.00; Sunday School, \$10.00; A. H. Savage Class, \$10.00; Bertie Johnson Class, \$10.00; R. E. Rogers Class, \$10.00; I. T. Byrd, \$10.00; Joel E. Harrell, \$10.00; Mrs. Joel E. Harrell, \$5.00; Mrs. I. W. Johnson, \$5.00; Mrs. F. W. Brinkley, \$5.00; Mrs. G. O. O'Berry, \$5.00. Total, \$100.00.

Newport News—Rev. J. H. Dollar, \$10.00; Church, \$10.00; Sunday School, \$10.00; Choir, \$10.00; Woman's Auxiliary, \$20.00; Men's Bible Class, \$10.00; Golden Rule Bible Class, \$10.00; Annie Smith Bible Class, \$10.00; R. L. Baker, \$10.00; C. D. West, \$10.00; Mrs. W. H. Baker, \$5.00; Mrs. R. L. Baker, \$5.00; Mrs. W. B. Baker, \$5.00; Mrs. J. T. Irby, \$5.00; Mrs. R. C. Jarrett, \$5.00; Mrs. R. E. Pulley, \$5.00; Mrs. F. W. Vaughn, \$5.00. Total, \$145.00.

Oakland—Sunday School, \$10.00. Total, \$10.00.

Ocean View—Rev. Joe A. French, \$10.00; Adult Bible Class, \$10.00. Total, \$20.00.

Rosemont—Rev. J. F. Morgan, \$10.00; Church, \$10.00; Men's Bible Class, \$10.00; Bettie Gibson Bible Class, \$5.00; Mrs. Ruth M. Smith, \$5.00. Total, \$40.00.

Shelton Church—Rev. M. S. Poulson, \$10.00; Church, \$10.00; Sunday School, \$10.00. Total, \$30.00.

South Norfolk—Sunday School, \$10.00; Ladies' Aid, \$10.00; Ladies' Bible Class, \$10.00. Total, \$30.00.

Suffolk—Rev. J. G. Truitt, \$10.00; Church, \$10.00; Sunday School, \$20.00; Ladies' Benevolent and Social Union, \$20.00; Philathea Class, \$20.00; Junior Philathea Class, \$10.00; Baraca Class, \$10.00; Woman's Missionary Society, \$10.00; W. W. Staley Missionary Society, \$10.00; W. S. Beamon, \$10.00; Wm. Stanley Cheatham, \$10.00; D. L. Harrell, \$10.00; E. E. Holland, \$10.00; H. H. Holland, \$10.00; J. E. Vincent, \$10.00; J. E. West, \$10.00; Mrs. C. A. Shoop, \$10.00; Mrs. J. D. MacClenny, \$5.00; Mrs. Bessie Creekmore, \$5.00; Mrs. C. B. Duke, \$5.00; Mrs. G. W. Nurney, \$5.00; Mrs. Annie S. Calhoun, \$5.00; Mrs. J. M. Darden, \$5.00; Miss Jamie Felton, \$5.00; Mrs. W. B. Leathers, \$5.00; Mrs. A. T. Holland, \$5.00. Total, \$245.00.

Waverly—Sunday School, \$10.00; Sara Johnson Class, \$10.00; Victor Bible Class and Ladies' Aid, \$10.00; Mrs. Ella V. Gray, \$5.00. Total \$35.00.
Grand total, \$1,034.00.

JOE A. FRENCH, *Financial Secretary*.

The President appointed the following Committees:

Press—Rev. H. E. Crutchfield.

Place—Rev. Arnold Slater.

Nominating—J. F. Morgan, M. J. W. White, M. S. Poulson.

Resolutions—Rev. J. H. Warren, Geo. Olejar.

Adjournment for lunch.

Benediction by Rev. Geo. Olejar.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association was called to order at 1:45 by the President.

Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. John H. Knight.

Address: "Home Missions and the Local Church"—Dr. M. S. Poulson.

Reports from churches assisted by the C. M. A.

Report of the Treasurer, James C. Jones, submitted as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

1937.

Dec. 7.	Balance in bank.....	\$ 62.69
Dec. 8.	Deposited	965.00
Nov. 22.	M. W. Hollowell	10.00
Total receipts		\$1,037.69
Disbursements		1,006.25
Balance in bank		\$ 31.44

DISBURSEMENTS.

1937-38:

Dec. 16.	Paid Rev. Joe French, postage.....	\$ 3.25
Dec. 16.	Paid Rev. J. F. Morgan, programs.....	1.50
Dec. 16.	Paid Rev. O. D. Poythress, for South Norfolk for mortgage	400.00
Dec. 16.	Paid Mr. C. D. West, Newport News, on mortgage.....	300.00
Dec. 16.	Paid S. W. Phillips for Elm Avenue, interest on parsonage	100.00
Dec. 16.	Paid Mr. T. N. Lowe for pastor's salary	100.00
Dec. 16.	Paid Joe French, for mortgage, final appropriation.....	100.00
	Protest fee on check	1.50
Total disbursements		\$1,006.25

JAMES C. JONES, *Treasurer.*

Report of Committee on Plans, Col. J. E. West, Chairman:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLANS

We recommend the following appropriations:

\$250.00 to South Norfolk on note indebtedness.

\$250.00 to Newport News on mortgage indebtedness.

Should subsequent dues justify, one-half of same shall be appropriated to each of the above churches.

\$50.00 to Bethlehem Congregational Christian Church of Disputanta for Sunday School rooms.

\$425.00 to the church at Little Creek as follows: \$100.00 on contract price of lot not to exceed \$400.00; \$25.00 on expenses of purchase of lot and rental of hall occupied at present; \$300.00 for removal of Sarem Christian Church on condition that Little Creek Church will remove said building and erect the same on proposed lot at Little Creek. This removal to be under the general supervision of Rev. J. F. Morgan, President of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, upon whose recommendation the \$300.00 shall be paid in such partial payments as may be necessary.

J. E. WEST,
MRS. JOEL E. HARRELL,
MRS. I. W. JOHNSON,
R. L. HOUSE,

Committee.

Pending the adoption of this report, Rev. J. F. Morgan discussed "Prospects of New Churches in Virginia." Rev. H. E. Crutchfield made an address on the "The C. M. A. and Our Rural Churches." General discussion and adoption of report on plans.

Greetings were sent to Dr. I. W. Johnson, Mrs. John G. Truitt, Mrs. Joe A. French, Miss Edna Fulcher and Rev. Frank Lewis.

The Committee on Resolutions reported:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee, having enjoyed the fellowship of the ministers and delegates assembled for the 47th session of the Christian Missionary Association, wish to offer the following resolution:

That we extend by a rising vote our thanks to the Ocean View Church, its pastor, and friends, for the splendid provision made for our comfort and entertainment during the session of the Association.

J. H. WARREN,
GEORGE OLEJAR,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Rev. Joe A. French read the report of the Committee on Finance:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, have examined the treasurer's report and find same to be correct.

We collected from membership dues today, \$979.00.

We recommend the payment of the following bills:

Rev. H. B. Watkins	\$ 1.00
Rev. Geo. Olejar	1.00
Rev. E. W. Jones	3.00
Rev. O. D. Poythress	1.00
Rev. S. W. Phillips	2.25
Rev. J. F. Morgan	1.00
Rev. T. F. Wright	2.00
Rev. R. L. House	1.00
Rev. Arnold Slater	1.00
Rev. Carl R. Key	2.00
Rev. Joe A. French.....	2.00

The above amounts for gas bills incurred by the exchange of pulpits.

Rev. J. H. Dollar, expense account.....	2.00
Rev. Joe A. French, expense account	4.50

Total \$ 23.75

JOE A. FRENCH,
O. D. POYTHRESS,
J. F. MORGAN,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

President—Rev. J. H. Dollar.

Vice-President—Rev. T. F. Wright.

Treasurer—James C. Jones.

Financial Secretary—Rev. J. A. French.

Recording Secretary—Rev. R. L. House.

J. F. MORGAN,
M. J. W. WHITE,
M. S. POULSON,
Committee.

On motion the report was adopted.

Rev. T. Fred Wright reported for the Membership Committee.

Report of Committee on Place of Meeting, by Rev. Arnold Slater, Elm Avenue, Portsmouth, Va.

The Association voted to have the Minutes printed in the ANNUAL.

The Association waived the reading of the Minutes.

With the benediction by Rev. Joe A. French, the Association adjourned to meet next year with the Elm Avenue Christian Church.

REV. J. H. DOLLAR, *President*.

REV. R. L. HOUSE, *Secretary*.

Minutes of the Sixth Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Confer- ence Missionary Association.

BELEW CREEK CONGREGATIONAL-CHRISTIAN CHURCH.
SEPTEMBER 20, 1938.

MORNING SESSION.

The Sixth Annual Session of the Christian Missionary Association of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference met with the Belew Creek Church, Tuesday, September 20, 1938, with fifty (50) members and visitors present. The meeting was called to order by the President, Dr. W. M. Jay, at 10: 15.

The opening Worship Service was conducted by Miss Frankye Marshall.

Minutes of the 1937 Session were read by the Secretary.

A motion was carried ordering the striking out of the "note" by the Secretary in the 1937 Report of the Financial Secretary.

The President presented the program outline for the Session. This was adopted as the order of the day, with the change of the order of the reports of the Treasurer and the Financial Secretary.

Rev. G. H. Veazey, Pastor of the host church, spoke words of welcome to the Association. The response was given by Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, in behalf of the Association.

The question was raised, from the floor, as to who was to vote in the business transactions of the Association. The President stated that, in the absence of any Constitutional provision, all had the privilege of voting.

The resignation of Mary Ann Harrell, as a member of the Christian Missionary Association, was presented by the Financial Secretary and accepted by the Association.

The President appointed the Special Committees for the Session as follows:

Nominations—W. E. Wisseman, J. L. Neese, T. E. Cross.

Resolutions—B. J. Earp, D. N. Vore, Mrs. D. E. Mitchell.

Appropriations—J. H. Lightbourne, Mrs. W. M. Parrish, E. B. Rascoe.

Place of Meeting—G. H. Veazey, A. W. Preston, D. M. Spence.

Finance—G. C. Crutchfield, W. E. Wisseman, Miss Frankye Marshall.

The Financial Secretary read his report as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCIAL SECRETARY.

To the Christian Mission Association of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference. Greetings:

Your Financial Secretary begs to report for the C. M. A. year, December 7, 1937 to September 20, 1938, as follows:

RECEIPTS.

North Carolina and Virginia Conference—December 15, 1937, \$200.00; March 1, 1938, 200.00. Total, \$400.00.

From Memberships.

Belews Creek—Church \$10.00, G. H. Veazey \$5.00.

Burlington—Mr. D. J. Fitch, \$5.00, Dr. C. W. McPherson, \$5.00, Miss Ella Rae Carroll, \$5.00, Miss Ethel Truitt, \$5.00, Mr. D. E. Sellars, \$5.00, Mrs. E. B. Rascoe, \$5.00, Mr. Herman Truitt, \$5.00, Miss Meta Sutton, \$5.00, Mr. J. M. Fix, \$5.00, Miss Jewel Hatch, \$5.00, Mr. Garland Huffman, \$5.00, Mr. J. H. McEwen, \$5.00, Miss Tora Rudd, \$5.00, Woman's Bible Class, \$5.00, Mr. W. W. Sellars, \$5.00, Mr. Harold Trollenger, \$5.00, Miss Sadie Fonville, \$5.00, Mr. J. P. Montgomery, \$5.00, Mr. J. D. Strader, \$5.00, Dr. R. A. Wilkins, \$5.00, Mr. C. T. Holt, \$5.00, Mrs. C. F. Neese, \$5.00, Mr. M. Z. Rhodes, \$5.00, Mrs. J. H. Barnwell, \$5.00, Mr. Wade Huffman, \$5.00, Mr. R. W. Malone, \$5.00, Mr. D. R. Fonville, \$5.00, Mr. W. R. Sellars, \$5.00, Rev. J. H. Lightbourne, \$5.00, and Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, \$5.00.

Durham—Philathea Class, \$5.00, Board of Deacons, \$5.00, Dr. S. C. Harrell, \$5.00, Board of Deacons, \$5.00, Philathea Class, \$5.00, Stanley C. Harrell, \$5.00, Mary Ann Harrell, \$2.50, Mrs. J. H. Massey, \$5.00.

Elon College—Dr. L. E. Smith, \$5.00, Mrs. J. O. Atkinson, \$5.00, and Dr. J. O. Atkinson, \$5.00.

Greensboro, First—H. V. Simpson, \$5.00, and Missionary Society, \$5.00.

Greensboro, Palm Street—Christian Endeavor Society, \$5.00.

Ingram—Rev. B. J. Earp, \$5.00.

Long's Chapel—Sunday School, \$5.00, Bible Class, \$5.00.

Pleasant Ridge—Church, \$5.00.

Reidsville—Rev. J. L. Neese, \$5.00, Mrs. D. E. Mitchell, \$5.00, Baraca Class, \$5.00, Woman's Auxiliary, \$5.00.

Salem's Chapel—Missionary Society, \$5.00, Christian Endeavor, \$5.00.

Union (N. C.)—Sunday School, \$5.00, Rev. W. M. Stevens, \$5.00.

Winston-Salem—Church, \$5.00, and Dr. W. M. Jay, \$5.00.

Summary—

Balance from 1936-37 and appropriated at 1936 Session..... \$ 110.34

RECEIPTS.

From the North Carolina and Virginia Conference 400.00

From Memberships as of September 16th 205.00

From Memberships 9|16-9|20, inclusive 97.50

702.50

Grand total \$ 812.84

DISBURSEMENTS.

To E. B. Rascoe, Treasurer \$ 812.84

Your Financial Secretary would appreciate a resolutions authorizing the Secretary to have membership list published in detail by Churches in the report of the Association's meeting *The Christian Sun* and in the Minutes of the ANNUAL.

Again your Financial Secretary would call attention to the necessity of having the interest of our pastors in the Christian Missionary Association layman or laywomen can be appointed to seek memberships and enroll them for the local church but if the Christian Missionary Association membership is to grow the interest and cooperation of our pastors will have to be secured.

J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
Financial Secretary.

It was moved, and carried, that the above report be referred to the Committee on Finance and the Committee on Resolutions.

A motion was carried instructing the Finance Committee to accept the report of the Financial Secretary as full report for the year.

Mr. E. B. Rascoe, Treasurer, reported as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

DECEMBER 16, 1937 TO SEPTEMBER 20, 1938.

Received from Financial Secretary, Or. J. H. Lightbourne:

1937			
Dec.	16	Balance from 1936-1937	\$ 110.34
Dec.	16	Check	200.00
1938			
Feb.	23	Check	50.00
Mar.	1	Check	200.00
Aug.	1	Check	20.00
Aug.	16	Check	45.00
Sept.	1	Check	80.00
Sept.	16	Check	10.00
Sept.	20	Check	97.50
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			\$ 812.84

DISBURSEMENTS.

Winston-Salem Church:

1937			
Dec.	16	Check for Dr. Jay	\$ 25.00
1938			
Jan.	1	Check for Dr. Jay	25.00
Feb.	1	Check for Dr. Jay	25.00
Mar.	1	Check for Dr. Jay	25.00
Apr.	1	Check for Dr. Jay	25.00
May	1	Check for Dr. Jay	25.00
June	1	Check for Dr. Jay	25.00
July	1	Check for Dr. Jay	25.00
Aug.	1	Check for Dr. Jay	25.00
Sept.	1	Check for Dr. Jay	25.00
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			\$ 250.00

Belews Creek, Pleasant Ridge, Salem Chapel Pastorate:

1937			
Dec.	16	Check for A. W. Preston	\$ 85.00
1938			
Jan.	1	Check for A. W. Preston	15.00
Feb.	1	Check for A. W. Preston	15.00
Mar.	1	Check for A. W. Preston	15.00
Apr.	1	Check for A. W. Preston	15.00
May	1	Check for A. W. Preston	15.00
June	1	Check for A. W. Preston	15.00
July	1	Check for A. W. Preston	15.00
Aug.	1	Check for A. W. Preston	15.00
Sept.	1	Check for A. W. Preston	15.00
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			220.00

Reidsville Church:

1937			
Dec.	16	Check for Rev. J. L. Neese	\$ 100.00
1938			
Sept.	1	Check for Rev. J. L. Neese	100.00
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			200.00
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			\$ 670.00

SUMMARY.

Total Received	\$ 812.84
Total paid out	670.00
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Balance in Bank	\$ 142.84

E. B. RASCOE, *Treasurer.*

The report of the Treasurer was referred to the Finance Committee.

Miss Frankye Marshall made a very interesting and encouraging report for the Churches of Pastorate No. 1, pointing out much progress among these Churches during the year. Stating that improvements had been made on the Pleasant Ridge and Salem's Chapel Churches and that the new building at Belew Creek was almost completed.

Rev. J. L. Neese reported progress at the Reidsville Church; and Dr. W. M. Jay made a report for the Winston-Salem Church.

On motion the Association adjourned for lunch, which was served by the ladies of the host church.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The afternoon session was opened at 1:45 P. M. by the singing of a hymn, after which Rev. Mr. Stanley led the opening prayer.

A very helpful Symposium on the "Rural Pastorate" was conducted, with the following themes and speakers:

1. "How the C. M. A. Can Help the Rural Pastorates"—Dr. J. H. Lightbourne.
2. "How the Minister Can Help"—Rev. D. N. Vore.
3. "How the Laymen Can Help"—Rev. F. C. Lester.

The following motion was introduced:

Moved that the Christian Missionary Association offer Mt. Bethel, New Lebanon, Kellam Grove, and Howard's Chapel Churches \$300.00 per year for two years, if they will group and contribute \$800.00 mem. per year to a pastor. If they fail to accept, the same offer is to be made to the Haw River group, or another group, by the Executive Committee. Further, that the Pastor of this group shall live within the bounds of the of the pastorate.

After extended discussion the above motion was adopted.

The Finance Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, the Finance Committee of the Christian Missionary Association have examined the Treasurer's and Financial Secretary's books and reports and find them correct.

We recommend that membership dues remain as they are.

G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,
W. E. WISEMAN,
FRANKYE MARSHALL,
Committee.

The report of the Finance Committee was adopted.

The Committee on Nominations reported as follows:

President—W. M. Jay.
Vice-President—B. J. Earp.
Secretary—W. M. Stevens.
Treasurer—E. B. Rascoe.
Financial Secretary—J. H. Lightbourne.

W. E. WISSEMAN,
 J. L. NEESE,
 T. E. CROSS,
Committee.

The report was accepted and the nominees elected.

The Appropriation Committee's report was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

We recommend the following grants: (1) To Winston-Salem, \$300.00; (2) To Pastoral Group No. 1, \$180.00; (3) To Reidsville, \$50.00; (4) To Pastoral Group No. 2, \$300.00.

The grant to Winston-Salem to be met by twelve monthly payments of \$25.00 each, the grant to Pastoral Group No. 1 to be met by twelve monthly payments of \$15.00 each, the grant to Reidsville to be paid in full at once, and the grant to Pastorate Group No. 2 to be met by twelve monthly payments of \$25.00 each.

Winston-Salem is asked to strive to reduce its application for next year to \$240.00. Pastorate Group No. 2 is to understand that its appropriation will be reduced after the second year. Pastorate Group No. 1 and Reidsville do not plan asking for assistance next year. Any balance remaining after these appropriations are met is to be carried over to next year's work.

J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
 E. B. RASCOE,
 MRS. O. H. PARIS,
Committee.

The Committee on Resolutions reported, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We recommend:

1. That we express, by rising vote, our appreciation to the pastor and people of Belew's Creek for the generous hospitality and splendid noon meal served to this Association.

2. That our Recording Secretary be authorized to publish all paid memberships as reported by the Financial Secretary in his Annual Report in *The Christian Sun* and the *Christian ANNUAL*.

3. That each Minister act as a Christian Missionary Association agent, or appoint someone to act as such, in his church or churches.

B. J. EARP,
 D. N. VORE,
 MRS. D. E. MITCHELL,
Committee.

This report was adopted.

The Committee on Place recommended that the next meeting be held at Salem's Chapel Church. This recommendation was adopted.

A motion was carried that the C. M. A. meet hereafter on Tuesday after the third Sunday in September.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet with Salem's Chapel Congregational-Christian Church, Tuesday after the third Sunday of September, 1939.

Benediction by Rev. M. A. Pollard.

W. M. JAY, *President*,
Winston-Salem, N. C.

W. MILLARD STEVENS, *Secretary*,
Burlington, N. C.

Thirteenth Biennial Session of the Woman's Missionary Convention.

SOUTHERN CONVENTION OF CONGREGATIONAL-CHRISTIAN
CHURCHES.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, PORTSMOUTH, VA.,
THURSDAY, APRIL 28, 1938.

The Woman's Missionary Convention met in its Thirteenth regular session and was called to order at 9:30 o'clock by the President, Mrs. John G. Truitt.

Following a song service, prayer was offered by Mrs. W. M. Jay.

Delegates were enrolled as following:

Eastern Virginia Conference—Mesdames W. H. Andrews, E. T. Atkinson, R. T. Bradford, C. E. Byrd, N. W. Byrd, Rosser Bradshaw, E. L. Beale, O. M. Cokes, John Corbitt, Annie S. Calhoun, J. E. Cartwright, J. O. Davidson, C. L. Dawson, H. B. Everett, J. A. French, E. L. Gray, W. E. Garrison, B. F. Gibson, R. L. House, H. S. Hardcastle, J. H. Haynes, Ayler Holland, M. F. Hall, Herbert Harrell, A. B. Jarvis, E. P. Jones, D. D. Johnston, A. M. Johnson, A. L. Jolly, B. D. Jones, O. D. King, Carl R. Key, W. V. Leathers, J. D. Luke, Ernest Lane, G. C. Mann, J. F. Morgan, O. S. Mills, G. C. Manson, J. W. Manning, E. F. O'Berry, J. E. Rawls, J. M. Raby, J. S. Rollings, Garland Spratley, C. A. Shoop, R. B. Wood, B. H. Watkins, E. R. Wyatt, J. Monroe Harris, Misses Frances Everett, Caroline Gort, Luna Ives, Gladys Yates.

Virginia Valley Conference—Mesdames K. H. Sale, Lena Rothgeb, Misses Minnie Dofflemyer, Verdie Showalter, Eugenia Snow.

North Carolina Conference—Mesdames J. E. Neese, W. R. Sellars, W. E. Wisseman, L. M. Clymer, E. M. Carter, B. M. Newman, J. D. Newman, Millard Stevens, W. M. Jay, A. O. Rudd, E. W. Boshart, James Davis, Rhoda Buck, F. Ervin Hyde, J. H. Lightbourne, V. R. Holt, Roy Caveness, Misses Ruth Johnson, Margaret Alston, Vera L. Gerringier, Tora Rudd, Mrs. L. E. Smith.

Eighteen pastors were welcomed to the Convention.

The President announced the following committees:

Finance—Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Mrs. J. M. Raby, Mrs. A. B. Jarvis.

Recommendations—Mrs. L. E. Smith, Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, Mrs. Herbert Harrell.

Nominations—Mrs. O. H. Paris, Mrs. J. Monroe Harris, Mrs. J. E. Rawls.
Resolutions—Miss Minnie Dofflemyer, Mrs. R. T. Bradford, Mrs. J. P. Barrett.
Day of Mission Study—Mrs. L. E. Smith, Mrs. Carl R. Key.
Conference Report Blanks—Mrs. W. M. Jay, Mrs. Garland Spratley, Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Mrs. K. H. Sale.

The reports of the Conference Presidents were read and upon motion were adopted as follows:

VIRGINIA VALLEY CONFERENCE.

The Virginia Valley Conference is divided into four districts. The President's roll shows a total membership of 200. Number of societies: Women's, 10; Young People's, 5; Cradle Rolls, 4. The amount raised was:

1936-1937	\$ 287.09
1937 to March, 1938	334.41
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Total	\$ 621.50
Apportionment for the biennium, 1936-38	\$1,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. K. H. SALE, *President*.

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

Having been an officer in the Woman's Missionary Conference of North Carolina only six months, to be able to prepare this report it was necessary to read many records of activities since the Biennial Meeting in Burlington, in 1936. It is an absorbing story of faithful service, invincible determination, some disappointments, anticipations, realizations, faith, hope and love.

Perhaps our most outstanding progressive step in recent years has been the annual Day of Mission Study at Elon College, under the Chairmanship of Mrs. L. E. Smith. Dr. H. Shelton Smith spoke on that day in 1937 on the subject: "The American Negro," informing us of the amazing development of the negro race and challenging us to a better understanding of its problems. On February 21, 1938, Miss Ruth Seabury, a truly inspired person, addressed the Day of Mission Study on the subject "The Moslem World." About 250 women were in attendance. Miss Seabury spoke to a large group of Young People of our churches that same night.

Another progressive step is the new Year Book, a convention project under the leadership of Mrs. John G. Truitt, President, which unifies the work of the several conferences in a most helpful way. Many expressions of appreciation of this book have been written in.

The most festive occasions of 1937 were the several Twenty-Fifth Anniversary celebrations among the individual societies, culminating in the major celebration of the Woman's Missionary Convention in Suffolk, in May. Many North Carolina women were in attendance. To the Staley Memorial Fund, North Carolina contributed \$769.40.

The theme for the 1937 Spring Rallies was "The Way of the Witnesses." These meetings were addressed by Mrs. Parker for Dr. Atkinson, and by several speakers within the districts. In 1938 the theme for the rallies was "The Supreme Challenge of the Church—To Give Them a Garland Instead of Ashes." Miss Pattie Lee Coghill, of Jacksonville, Fla., spoke on the subject, "Saved to Serve;" Dr. Atkinson's message, "Good Tidings," was delivered by Mrs. Parker, and the Rev. B. J. Earp spoke to us of our mountain work. The District Superintendents are: Miss Sadie Fonville, Alamance; Mrs. A. B. McFarland, Guilford; Mrs. I. H. Faust, relieving Mrs. R. E. Caviness, Ran-

dolph; Mrs. R. L. Ross, Chatham-Lee-Moore; Mrs. R. M. Rothgeb, Durham-Wake; Miss Margaret Alston, Vance-Warren; Mrs. B. J. Earp, Halifax.

On October 5, 1937, the Annual Meeting convened at Raleigh, with the theme, "Advancing With Christ." The United Church was a gracious host and the attendance splendid. Mrs. O. H. Paris served the conference as president for 1936-37, and presided at this meeting. Addresses were made by Mrs. John G. Truitt, Mrs. Parker for Dr. Atkinson, and Miss Jeannie L. Jillson. The October, 1938 annual meeting will be entertained by the Parks Cross Roads church near Ramseur.

Our apportionment for the biennium is \$8,400. Of this amount \$8,048.99 has been raised and \$7,838.37 sent to the Convention Treasurer, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle.

Our Conference goal of \$4,500 was not realized in 1937. We are making every effort to accomplish it in 1938.

I wish to express appreciation of the faithful service of the State officers, Miss Margaret Alston, Vice-President; Mrs. Seth M. Vining, 2nd Vice-President; Mrs. H. D. Lambeth, Secretary; Mrs. Charles H. Stephenson, Treasurer; Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, Superintendent of Young People; Mrs. M. W. Hook, Superintendent of Cradle Roll; Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Superintendent of Spiritual Life; Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, Superintendent of Literature.

The organized societies within our conference number 50 Women's, 14 Young People's, 5 Willing Workers', and 8 Cradle Rolls. Three new women's societies, 5 young people's societies, and 2 cradle rolls were organized in 1937-38.

An outstanding need is a person or persons with time and means to contact our churches where there is no missionary education.

Another great need for which we pledge ourselves to pray is that our women may receive spiritual strength, courage, and willingness to serve in responsible places. Paul challenges us through his letter to the Roman's, 12th Chapter and last verse, "I beseech you, brethren, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. H. LIGHTBOURNE, *President*.

EASTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

The past biennium has been a busy time for the women of the Eastern Virginia Conference. Our programs have been interesting and educational, and we have enjoyed several special occasions.

Our Silver Anniversary Service, which we shared together, and which was held in the Suffolk Christian Church, May, 1937, was the highlight of our programs for the past two years. At that service we not only gave a few dollars but we saw grouped together women who had for a quarter of a century been working steadily together on the same job, a job which carried no visible salary, and often meant sacrifice.

What other work calls so many women to a task that offers a lifetime of work and service with no financial reward, and to which women have responded by the hundreds. There is no unemployment among those who work at these jobs and room yet for others.

Our Spring Rallies are growing in enthusiasm and interest. These groups offer splendid opportunities for all of our women to have part, and it has developed for our Conference workers of wanted ability. Our Annual Conferences are splendidly attended and each year they seem to mean more to us, but the Rally programs can reach into more homes and call into service large numbers who seem immediately touched by the inspiration and information carried by our Rally programs in the various districts. We were most fortunate

this spring to have as our Rally speakers two women who had been in service, one in Japan and one in China. Both of these visitors were greatly appreciated by our women in attendance.

The three new District Superintendents in the Eastern Virginia Conference are: Mrs. Joseph A. French, Norfolk District; Mrs. Wesley Rountree, Nansemond District; Mrs. Garland Spratley, Waverly District.

No report would be complete without paying a tribute to the faithful ones of each local society who have prepared programs and carried them out. It would be impossible to estimate the educational value of our societies. Our study books, reading groups, and programs in general are made so that the horizon of each member is necessarily broadened. Mentally and spiritually we are helped by attendance upon our local meetings.

We have made progress in getting our women to attend Summer Conferences where groups of leaders from all denominations meet to work and plan together for the next year's work. For the past two years we have had five representatives from our Conference at the Eagles Mere Conference.

Our financial program has not been neglected. The total amount raised the past two years is \$10,721.81.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. MONROE HARRIS, *President*.

Reports were presented by the various Departmental Superintendents as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF SPIRITUAL LIFE.

We have had high aims for the development of the spiritual life of the women of our church and we trust that many lives have been enriched during the past biennium and our women have been "blessed to be a blessing."

We feel constrained to set higher goals for today. The great message for this time is "Seek ye *First* the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness." We would put the emphasis on first. Our theme for the next two years is to be "First things first." The time has come for the women of our church to realize that now is the only time we have and to decide to put first things first in our lives.

The great challenge is to give God first place; to let Him be the Master of our lives. "Now unto Him who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we can ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us." How much power do we have within us?

"Bless the Lord, Oh! my soul, and *all* that is *within* me bless His Holy Name."

"All that is within me." We must give Him all of life—body, mind and spirit; our time, our talents, our influence, our money, our all.

The call has come for us to be faithful stewards of our time, talents, and tithes.

We plan to have a Superintendent of Spiritual Life in every church who will seek to get our women to study and practice the Stewardship of Life.

How much of our time are we giving to prayer, Bible study, and service? We find time for the things we wish to do. If we wish to know the greatness and power of Jesus Christ in our lives, we must take time for the Quiet Hour with Him in prayer and Bible study.

Let us consider our talents. Are we giving God our best? Let us examine ourselves. We have to make choices every day. Let us remember that our "choices make our characters." There are so many calls and demands today but may we choose to give God our best, to put first things first. Our women have great talents and may we use them for Him.

We would urge our women to tithe, to make offerings unto the Lord and find great joy in giving, knowing as we do this, we are "laying up treasurers in heaven."

Our four objectives are Prayer, Bible Study, Stewardship of Time, Talents, and Tithes, and Personal Witnessing.

If the spiritual life of our women is to be deepened, there must be prayer in the home—individual and family prayer. For us, I suggest the "Quiet Hour" in *The Christian Sun* and other books on Daily Devotions which may be ordered from the Committee on Devotional Life, 287 Fourth Avenue, New York City.

It will be the duty of the Spiritual Life Superintendent to plan to observe the World-Wide-Day of Prayer.

Our women who have given themselves to the study of Ephesians this year have received great blessings. For next year, we are recommending the study of Philipians. Get every woman to read and read again this book that we may know more of the joy of the Lord and live to glorify Him.

May love for Christ be the great motive power of our living and our giving.
"Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness."

"Oh! Make Him the master of all that you have,
The Lord of your heart and soul.
Yield Him all of yourself for His dwelling place
And let Him take the whole.
He will do for you, He will work with you,
He will reign in your life alone,
And you will find the blessings you have missed,
And the joy you have never known."

—Annie Johnson Flint.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. R. SELLARS, *Superintendent*.

CRADLE ROLL DEPARTMENT.

It has been a great joy to have a part in the work of the Women's Board and to be associated with devout Christian women, and to be identified with this branch of our Lord's work.

"Heaven lies about us in our infancy,
Children are a heritage of our Lord."

Eastern Virginia Conference, Mrs. F. M. Nelson, Superintendent: 22 Societies, 376 members, amount raised, \$192.63.

Virginia Valley Conference, Mrs. E. Lena Rothgeb, Superintendent: 3 Societies, 40 members, amount raised, \$16.25.

North Carolina Conference, Mrs. M. W. Hook, Superintendent: 17 Societies, about 200 members, amount raised, \$179.85.

Totals: 42 Societies, 616 members, amount raised, \$388.73. New Societies, 7. Number promoted to Junior Societies, 64.

During the past biennium we feel that we have gone forward, but we have a greater work yet to do.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. B. D. JONES, *Superintendent*.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT.

Forty-four young people's groups and twenty-eight Junior groups are listed in our year book for 1937-1938. Not all of these are missionary societies. Many of them are Christian Endeavor Societies or Sunday school classes which devote

part of their time to study of missions and give to missions through our Woman's Board. During the last two years the young people and juniors have given \$675.39 and they contributed \$73.75 at the Silver Anniversary of our Women's work.

One new venture this past year is worthy of comment: A night of mission study sponsored by the Pilgrim Fellowship and the Women's Board in all three of our conferences, when Miss Ruth Seabury spoke to the young people on "The Moslem World." Each of the three meetings was well attended and we trust that it will become an annual affair.

Free packets of missionary material were distributed to each young people's group through the Pilgrim Fellowship last fall. Miss Irene Cotten, Superintendent of Missions for the Southeast Pilgrim Fellowship, is doing a splendid piece of work and it is our earnest desire to cooperate in every way with the Pilgrim Fellowship looking forward to the day when they shall assume full responsibility for their own missionary endeavors.

The class on Missions at our Elon Training School is always well attended by our young people and we urge this as one means of information and inspiration.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. E. WISSEMAN, *Superintendent.*

DEPARTMENT OF LIFE MEMBERSHIPS AND MEMORIALS.

It gives me great pleasure to report for the Department of Life Memberships and Memorials for the period 1936-1938 as follows:

Virginia: Life, 13 memberships; Memorial, 15 certificates.

North Carolina: Life, 5 memberships; Memorial, 2 certificates.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. M. J. W. WHITE, *Superintendent.*

SUPERINTENDENT OF LITERATURE.

During the year 1936-1937, the literature and study books were placed on sale at the three Annual Conferences held within the Southern Convention. This method of distribution did not prove satisfactory.

A consultation was held with Dr. John L. Lobingier, Secretary of the Department of World Fellowship, about our literature for mission study and activity in the Convention. Dr. Lobingier suggested that packets be made up for women and young people containing all the books, pamphlets and programs necessary for a year's work, the former to be sold at \$2.00 and the latter at \$1.50. Orders would be taken at the Missionary Rallies, sent to the Literature Superintendent not later than June 1st, and these would be filled so that the packets might be presented to the Woman's Board of Missions in session recently at Elon College and adopted.

The packet for Women's Societies contains the following:

1. *The American City and Its Church* by Kincheloe.
2. Suggestions to Leaders using *The American City and Its Church* by Miller.
3. *Urban Scene*, a pictorial booklet by Marguerite Bro.
4. *The Church Takes Root in India* by Basil Mathews.
5. *A Course for Adults on India* by Sailer.
6. A sample copy of the bulletin *World Fellowship*.
7. A sample copy of the Bulletin *Adult Education*.
8. Sample copy of the Bulletin *The Pilgrim Leader*.
9. *Missionary Education in the Local Church*.
10. *Congregational-Christian Women at Work*.

11. *Missionary Education*, 1938-39, an announcement of materials.
12. *More and Better Workers*, leadership education pamphlet.
13. Leaflet, *Stereopticon Lectures and Movie Films*.
14. Sample copy of *Missionary Herald*.
15. Pamphlet, *Council for Social Action Programs for 1938-39*.
16. Pamphlet, *Home Board Programs on the City*, 1938-39.
17. June, 1938, *Envelope Series*, with programs on India.
18. *The American Board in India*.
19. *New Home Board's Leaflet on the City*.

The packet for Young People's Societies contains the following:

1. *Dinabandhu*, a background book on India by Ruth Seabury.
2. *A Course on India for Young People*, by Sue Weddell.
3. *City Shadows*, a reading book by R. W. Searle.
4. A Course for Seniors on *The Church in the City*, by D. G. Stewart.
5. Sample copy of *Bulletin of the Pilgrim Fellowship*.
6. *How to Use the Pilgrim Highroad Discussion Topics*.
7. Sample copy of *The Pilgrim Highroad*.
8. *Christian Youth in Missionary Action*: Third Series.
9. *World Service Activities for the Junior High School Age*.

Since the Spring Rallies of this year there has been a request for a Junior Packet. We are now able to present the list of materials which will be included in such a packet to be sold at \$1.20.

The packet for Junior Societies contains the following:

1. *Street Corner*, by Hunting, Paper, 50c.
2. Junior Teacher's Guide on *Street Corner*, by Millen, 25c.
3. *The Golden Sparrow*, by Harper. Paper, 50c.
4. *World Service Unit on Turkey*, 10c.
5. *Junior World Service Unit on Rural America* (or the *Unit on the City*, if ready in time), 10c.
6. *World Fellowship Reading List*.
7. Sample Bulletin of *World Fellowship*.
8. *Design for Junior Department* (a new pamphlet to be ready June 1st), 5c.
9. Sample copy of *Pilgrim Elementary Teacher*. (\$1.00 per year.)
10. Pamphlet, *World Service Schools*.
11. Flier describing World Service Chart.

We are happy to report that several travel libraries from the Department of World Fellowship have been used by the women, young people and juniors in all the conferences. We recommend that this practice be continued and that more societies call for this reading material on missions during 1938-1939.

The Women's Board voted that the literature superintendent edit a year book for the Conferences similar to the one printed last year for distribution. This book for 1938-1939 will be published after the conferences in the fall.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. CARL R. KEY,
Literature Superintendent.

REPORT OF CONVENTION EDITOR.

Another two year period of work and praise has come to an end, and now we are reviewing and taking inventory of our stock and reporting to our Convention the details of our work. Just how far we have advanced in our Missionary work will be evidenced by our individual society reports.

The office of Editor came into existence a short while prior to the Convention in Richmond, Va., in 1928, and the present incumbent has been the Editor since that time. During the past biennium we have conscientiously tried to carry out the ideals set up for such an office and to develop the field as best we could. This department is dependent solely upon the willingness of the societies to give out news concerning their society work. A loyalty to the calls of the Conference and Convention officers needs to be stimulated and our local officers have the responsibility. Letters and cards of appeal have been sent out and articles have been written to *The Christian Sun* urging cooperation in this phase of our work and improvement in a marked degree has been made. Let me urge through this report that we do take this matter seriously, and that we willingly send our news items to our editor, thereby helping to promote this part of our missionary work. We need the practice, we need the publicity, and our *Christian Sun* wants the news. Our readers enjoy the articles, and it strengthens the local society and is helpful to others. We should be proud of our page in *The Christian Sun* and work diligently to build it up.

It has been a pleasure to render this simple service for the Board and we express our sincere appreciation to all who have cooperated in this work.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. M. JAY, *Editor.*

Upon motion these reports were adopted and placed on file.

A telegram from Mrs. J. A. Williams, expressing regret at her absence, was read by the President. The Convention stood while Dr. Stanley C. Harrell offered prayer for Mrs. Williams and for Dr. I. W. Johnson in their illness.

An address: "The Challenge of New Opportunities and How to Meet Them," was presented by the President of the Woman's Board, Mrs. John G. Truitt.

The Report of the Finance Committee was read by Mrs. W. V. Leathers and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance reports as follows:

The books of the Treasurer, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle have been audited by Mr. B. C. Carr, assistant cashier of the National Bank of Commerce, Norfolk, Va., and are correct.

We recommend that the goal for the next biennium remain \$20,000, and same be apportioned as follows: Eastern Virginia, \$10,600; North Carolina, \$8,400; Virginia Valley Central, \$1,000.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. V. LEATHERS,
MRS. J. M. RABY,
MRS. A. B. JARVIS,
Committee.

Mrs. L. E. Smith presented the report of the Committee on Recommendations as follows:

REPORT OF RECOMMENDATIONS.

There probably has never been a time in the history of the human race that presented such grave problems to the whole world as it faces today. Modern science has brought us so close together that all nations are indeed neighbors.

A major problem seems to be how we may live together in peace and harmony. Doubts and fears invade every avenue of life, and no one dares prophesy what the morrow may bring.

The Church of Christ is not without her perplexities; she is facing a challenge such as our generation has not known. But she is not facing the situation blindly nor alone. In times of testing the Christian, with Paul declares, "I know in whom I have believed." He relies upon that One who declared, "All power is given Me," and the promise that followed, "And lo! I am with you always," has been the secret of his courage and power as he has gone into all the world with this message of our Saviour.

Your Committee on Recommendations today feels that first of all the women of our Missionary Convention would wish to pledge their lives in a deeper consecration as we begin the new biennium that lies before us. This must be the very heart of our work if it is effective. Our missionaries on the field are continually telling us they need our money, but even more they need our prayers. Have we kept faith with those we have sent? Perhaps at no time in the history of missions has the need been greater than now in two of our major fields. We cannot help but feel God is working out His own purpose in His own way. He is depending on us.

Your Committee recommends:

1. That as individuals we pray daily that peace, "His peace that passeth understanding," may be the heritage of all nations; that each local society may devote one lesson each year to the intelligent study of Peace.

2. That we vote, teach, and use our every influence against intemperance.

3. That our women endorse our Sunday schools enrolling as World Service Schools.

4. That the Conferences accept the revised form of the Constitution, that our organization may be uniform.

5. That we work toward each church having only one women's organization, including all of their interests, the same to be known as the Women's Auxiliary.

6. That the year book be published annually as a Convention project, the expense of same to be met by our Convention.

7. That every local society purchase and use the literature packets which have been prepared to meet our needs, including home and foreign mission study books and many suggestive helps.

8. That our President represent the Woman's Missionary Convention at the annual mid-winter meeting of the State Presidents at Evanston, Ill., expenses to be paid by the same.

9. That we give careful consideration and cooperation to the Economic Plebiscite which is to be conducted next fall by the Council of Social Action.

10. Our Day of Mission Study has been accepted as an asset to our work. We recommend its continuance, the expense of which shall be paid by our Convention treasurer, but that the funds for this purpose be supplemented by an offering received at each meeting.

11. For several years our women have been considering a biennial convention to meet alternately with the Southern Convention. We recommend definite consideration of this step at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. L. E. SMITH,
MRS. W. E. WISSEMAN,
MRS. HERBERT HARRELL,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that this report be adopted.

It was moved and carried that we hold the Woman's Convention on alternate years with the Southern Convention, meeting next spring.

Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle gave the report of the Treasurer, and it was adopted as follows, with a vote of thanks to Mrs. Hardcastle for her efficient services:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Balance on hand, May 1, 1936 \$ 69.66

RECEIPTS FROM CONFERENCES.

May, 1936 to April 30, 1937:

North Carolina	\$4,011.26	
Eastern Virginia	4,757.70	
Valley of Virginia Central	287.09	
		9,056.05

May, 1937-1938:

North Carolina	\$3,852.11	
Eastern Virginia	4,915.90	
Valley of Virginia Central	396.12	
		9,164.13

Total receipts for Biennium \$ 18,289.84

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DISBURSEMENTS.

May	6	Expenses of Convention at Burlington	\$ 5.35
July	17	J. O. Atkinson, Missions	1,700.00
		Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasury Savings ...	20.00
Oct.	1	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasury Expenses ..	1.50
		Piland Printing Co., letters and envelopes ..	6.75
		Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasury Savings ...	140.00
	15	J. O. Atkinson, Missions	3,255.00
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Jan.	9	Expenses of Board Meeting, Suffolk	34.80
		Expenses of President to Chicago meeting ..	25.00
		(\$10.00 of this later refunded)	
		Mrs. W. M. Jay, Expenses of Editor	2.25
	18	J. O. Atkinson, Missions	1,517.00
		Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasury Savings ...	10.00
Feb.	6	Dr. H. Shelton, Expenses of Mission Day ..	15.00
Mar.	5	West & Withers, Bond for Treasurer	12.50
	22	Mrs. J. G. Truitt, Expenses of President ...	9.36
		Suffolk Office Supply	12.61
Apr.	16	J. O. Atkinson, Missions	2,130.00
		Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasury Savings ...	30.00
May	13	Expenses of Silver Anniversary	86.48
July	15	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasury Savings ...	20.00
		J. O. Atkinson, Missions	1,584.00
Oct.	15	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasury Savings ...	100.00
		J. O. Atkinson, Missions	3,164.00
		Mrs. Carl R. Key, Literature Expenses ...	1.00
Nov.	3	Piland Printing Co., envelopes and letters ...	8.00
		Gurley Press, Year Books	28.07

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Jan. 15	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasury Savings ...	20.00	
	J. O. Atkinson, Missions	1,900.00	
Mar. 13	Expenses of Board Meeting at Elon	53.37	
Apr. 11	J. O. Atkinson, Missions	1,966.00	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasury Savings ...	10.00	
			17,868.04
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	Balance in checking account, National Bank of		
	Commerce, Norfolk	\$	421.80
	Savings, Life Memberships and Memorials, Farmers		
	Bank, Suffolk		1,479.35
	Staley Memorial Fund, Farmers Bank, Suffolk		2,029.00
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	Total balance in bank April 15, 1938	\$	3,930.15

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. H. S. HARDCASTLE, *Treasurer.*

I have verified the books and accounts of Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasurer of the Woman's Board of Missions of the Southern Christian Convention for the period from May 1, 1936 to April 18, 1938, and I *certify* that the above statement of Income and Disbursements agree with the books and in my opinion correctly sets forth the true conditions of the Woman's Board of Missions of the Southern Christian Convention, as of April 18, 1938.

B. C. CARR,
*Assistant Cashier, National Bank
of Commerce, Norfolk, Virginia.*

The revised Constitution for the Woman's Convention was read by Mrs. Carl Key in the absence of the Chairman, Mrs. J. A. Williams. It was moved and carried that this Constitution be referred to the Committee on Constitution for further consideration and revision. It was moved and carried that the committee be requested to present a set of By-Laws when the Constitution is presented. The President appointed Mrs. W. V. Leathers as an additional member of the Committee on Constitution.

The report of the Nominating Committee was read by Mrs. W. A. Daughtery as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, submit the following nominations for the Woman's Board of the Southern Convention for the ensuing term:

President—Mrs. John G. Truitt.

Vice-President—Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell.

Secretary—Mrs. C. M. Cannon.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. J. S. Rollings.

Treasurer—Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle.

Convention Editor—Mrs. W. M. Jay.

Superintendent of Spiritual Life—Mrs. W. R. Sellars.

Superintendent of Young People—Mrs. W. E. Wisseman.

Superintendent of Literature—Mrs. Carl R. Key.

Superintendent of Cradle Roll—Mrs. B. D. Jones.

Superintendent of Life Memberships and Memorials—Mrs. M. J. W. White.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. O. H. PARIS,
MRS. J. MONROE HARRIS,
MRS. J. E. RAWLS,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that this report be adopted.

Rev. B. J. Earp informed the Convention of the death of Miss Victoria Edwards, and the Convention voted that a letter of condolence be sent to Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Edwards, of Fancy Gap, Va.

The meeting was thrown open for discussion of the Staley Memorial Fund, and a number of suggestions for an appropriate use of this Fund were offered. These suggestions along with such others as may be made, were referred to the Woman's Board for further study.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary cast the ballot for the officers as presented by the Nominating Committee.

A count of those present showed the following delegates and members in attendance: Eastern Virginia, 128; Valley of Virginia, 5; North Carolina, 28.

The minutes were read by the Secretary and approved.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by Miss Minnie Dofflemyer and was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, submit the following:

1. We are indebted to those whose time and effort are constantly required for the promotion of our mission work as reflected in reports made here this morning. We especially thank the Program Committee in its selection of topics.
2. We are not unmindful of our consecrated president for her challenging and inspiring message.
3. We are grateful for the continued strength of our beloved Mission Secretary, Dr. J. O. Atkinson.
4. We are thankful to the Portsmouth Church for their gracious hospitality. May we extend a rising vote of thanks to the pastor and people for their many courtesies.
5. That we as delegates return to our respective places with an inspired determination to carry out the recommendations of this conference, and rededicate our lives to a more consecrated service to God.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS MINNIE DOFFLEMYER,
MRS. R. T. BRADFORD,
MRS. J. P. BARRETT,
Committee.

The Convention rose to express its thanks for the hospitality of the Portsmouth Church.

A beautiful and impressive devotional service was conducted by Mrs. R. T. Bradford, assisted by Mrs. J. F. Morgan, who led in prayer, and Miss Jewel Francis, who sang as a solo, "I Come to Thee."

The Convention adjourned with a benediction by Rev. John G. Truitt.

MRS. JOHN G. TRUITT, *President*.

MRS. C. M. CANNON, *Secretary*.

Minutes of the Eleventh Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Woman's Missionary Conference.

PALMYRA CHURCH, JULY 28, 1938.

MORNING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order at ten o'clock by the Vice-President, Mrs. A. W. Andes. The opening hymn "Jesus Saves" was led by Rev. W. J. Andes. The congregation read in unison The Great Commission and repeated the Lord's Prayer. The Welcome Address was given by Rev. Roy D. Coulter, pastor of the Palmyra Church. Rev. R. A. Whitten responded in behalf of the delegates and visitors.

The President, Mrs. K. H. Sale, presided over the day's session.

The following churches were represented: Antioch, Bethel, Joppa, Mt. Olivet (R), New Hope, Newport, Palmyra, Winchester and Wood's Chapel.

The pastors present were: Roy D. Coulter, R. A. Whitten and W. J. Andes.

Visitors present were: Rev. and Mrs. F. E. Hyde of Sanford, N. C.; Rev. and Mrs. Fellows; Mrs. John G. Truitt, President of the Southern Women's Convention Board; Mesdames Brinkley and Leathers, from Suffolk; Mrs. W. L. Dudley and Mr. Kenneth Hook of Winchester.

The Constitution as submitted by the Southern Women's Board was read and adopted as follows:

CONSTITUTION FOR WOMEN'S MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF CONGREGATIONAL - CHRISTIAN CHURCHES.

ARTICLE I—NAME.

The name of this organization shall be the Virginia Valley Central Conference of the Women's Missionary Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches.

ARTICLE II—OBJECT.

The object of this Conference shall be to enlist the cooperation and promote the work of the Woman's organization of the local churches within the bounds of the Conference.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP.

All organizations of Congregational-Christian Churches which promote and support missions shall constitute the membership of this organization by virtue of their gifts, dues and services.

ARTICLE IV—OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

Section 1. The officers of the Conference shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary and an Assistant, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Secretary of Literature Department and Mite Boxes, Secretary of Young People's and Juniors' Department, Secretary of Cradle Roll, Secretary

of Life Memberships and Memorials, and Secretary of Spiritual Life, and such other officers and assistants as the Conference, or its Executive Board, may deem wise and elect.

Section 2. There shall be an Executive Committee composed of the officers of the Conference.

Section 3. There shall be such Standing Committees as the Conference shall deem necessary.

ARTICLE V—MEETINGS.

There shall be an annual meeting at such time and place as the Conference itself, or its Executive Board, shall determine, endeavoring to synchronize with the meetings of the bodies of the Southern Convention. Other meetings may be held as determined by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VI—AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those present at any annual meeting, notice of the proposed amendment having been given through publication in *The Christian Sun*, or *Missionary Herald*, two months previous to the Conference.

BY-LAW I—EXECUTIVE BOARD.

The Executive Board shall consist of the officers, department secretaries, District Superintendents, and such additional members as the Conference itself may deem wise and elect.

BY-LAW II—TERM AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Section 1. The term of all officers shall be one year. No officer except the Treasurer shall be eligible for more than four consecutive elections.

Section 2. A vacancy in any office shall be filled by the Executive Board for the unexpired term.

Section 3. All elections shall be by ballot at the annual meeting.

BY-LAW III—DISTRICTS.

Each District in the Conference shall have a District Superintendent with a working personnel. (Such Superintendents shall be appointed by the Executive Board, unless previously elected.)

BY-LAW IV—DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

Section 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Conference and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees. She shall be Chairman of the Executive Board.

Section 2. The Vice-President shall assist the President and assume her duties whenever needed.

Section 3. The Recording Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings and preserve the records.

Section 4. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Conference.

BY-LAW V—MEETINGS.

The time and place of the annual meeting and all other meetings shall be determined by the Conference or its Executive Committee.

BY-LAW VI—AMENDMENTS.

These BY - LAWS may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those present at any regular meeting, notice of the proposed amendment having been given through publication in *The Christian*, or the *Missionary Herald*, two months previous to the convening of the Conference.

BY-LAW VII—QUORUM.

One representative for every twenty-five members shall serve as delegates to the Southern Women's Missionary Convention. One-third of the membership of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum for that Board.

The Treasurer gave her Report as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES.

Bethel	\$ 23.38	
Dry Run	12.25	
Leaksville	45.63	
Linville	74.83	
New Hope	15.20	
Newport	20.10	
Winchester	75.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 266.39

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Antioch	\$ 33.91	
Linville	10.05	
Timber Ridge	9.05	
	<hr/>	53.01

CRADLE ROLL SOCIETIES.

Antioch	\$ 1.34	
Leaksville	1.00	
Linville	5.07	
Winchester	2.50	
	<hr/>	9.91

Rally at Newport	\$ 3.35	
Conference offering	6.23	
Miss Seabury's expenses	13.97	
	<hr/>	23.55

Total received for year \$ 352.86

DISBURSEMENTS.

Oct. 15, 1937	Mrs. Hardcastle	\$ 38.33	
Jan. 17, 1938	Mrs. Hardcastle	102.17	
Apr. 15, 1938	Mrs. Hardcastle	61.71	
July 17, 1938	Mrs. Hardcastle	126.31	
Nov. 1937	Burke and Price Bond	2.50	
Feb. 1938	Mrs. John G. Truitt (Miss Seabury) ...	13.97	
	Paid for Treasurer's Book .....	.20	
	Paid on borrowed money .....	.47	
	Paid Postage (1936-37) .....	.95	
	Paid Postage (1937-38) .....	.90	
		<hr/>	347.48

Balance in treasury \$ 5.38

VERDIE SHOWALTER,
Treasurer.

Report adopted.

CRADLE ROLL REPORT.

"Train up the child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it."—Prov. 22: 6.)

Linville Cradle Roll held their party at the church in connection with the Women's Missionary Society on Wednesday, June 22nd. Had a short program and served ice cream and cake in the basement of the church.

Winchester Sunday school gives the Cradle Roll a treat at Christmas. The Superintendent sends each child a card for birthday.

The following are the Societies and the number on each roll: Antioch, 4; Leaksville, 8; Linville, 30; Winchester, 11. Total, 53 members.

MRS. E. LENA ROTHGEB.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S REPORT.

At the present time we have three Young People's Missionary Societies: Antioch, 34 members; Linville, 12; Timber Ridge, 25. Total, 71 members.

Our aim for the year was that our Young People become familiar with the people of the Moslem world, and of our own Southern Mountains. This proved to be a very interesting study.

We must realize that the future of the missionary enterprise rests on the young people of today. We should consider it most vital and make a greater attempt than ever before to get the young people interested and enlisted in this great cause.

Your Young People's Superintendent would commend the study books for the year, which begins this date, and suggests that "Information lends inspiration." It is my earnest desire that our financial reports show an increase at the end of the year, but more important—may we have learned valuable lessons in World Friendship which will lead to deeper devotion to the cause of our Master.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN SHOWALTER,
Young People's Superintendent.

REPORT OF WOMEN'S SOCIETIES.

Womens Societies were reported by representatives present as follows: Bethel, 23 members; Leaksville, 29; Linville, 36; New Hope, 12; Newport, 25; Winchester, 18. Total, 155 members.

Mrs. John G. Truitt of Suffolk, President of the Southern Women's Missionary Convention, was introduced and gave a very inspirational address.

The District Superintendents, Miss Minnie Dofflemeyer of Page-Green; Mrs. J. E. Bryant of Rockingham; Mrs. A. K. Sirbaugh of Northern gave their reports. Miss Ruth Seabury spoke in each of these districts in February. Northern and Page-Green also held rallies in the spring.

The following committees were appointed:

Nominations—Mrs. A. W. Andes, Mrs. Ernest Spitzer, Mrs. R. A. Whitten, Miss Ruth Strickler, Miss Rachael Alger.

Place for Next Meeting—Miss Verdie Showalter, Mrs. Sam Earman, Mrs. Lillian Eaton.

Resolutions—Mrs. Roy Coulter, Miss Amy Louderback, Mrs. Mary Davis.

Miss Helen Showalter of Antioch conducted the morning worship service. Rev. W. J. Andes pronounced the benediction.

The noon hour was pleasantly spent on the church lawn where the ladies of the church served a bountiful lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Opening song, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." Mrs. R. A. Whitten led the Worship Service, reading the 15th Chapter of John. Rev. Ward Fellows led in prayer. Misses Elaine and Elizabeth Sheets sang a beautiful duet accompanied by Mrs. Grover Daughtry. A poem "Meet God in the Morning" was read by Mrs. Whitten. Mrs. Daughtry sang a prayer hymn, "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee."

Rev. R. A. Whitten introduced the Rev. F. E. Hyde of Sanford, N. C., who gave a splendid address.

Three of our women who attended the Southern Convention at Portsmouth gave reports of the Convention.

REPORT ON LITERATURE.

Antioch reports 13 persons read traveling library books; 4 families taking *Missionary Herald* and 12 families taking *The Christian Sun*; Bethel, 7 books read, numerous articles read, 300 visits to the sick; Leaksville, 13 books read, 277 articles, 11 taking *The Christian Sun*, 1 copy of *Missionary Herald* for society; Winchester, used traveling library and material from 287 4th Avenue, New York City.

MINNIE DOFFLEMYER,
Literature Superintendent.

The President introduced Mrs. W. L. Dudley of Winchester who conducted a round table discussion, and proved herself very helpful in solving problems. The conference joined in singing "The Call for Reapers."

Miss Verdie Showalter, chairman of the committee to select place for next meeting, reported that it would have to be left in the hands of the Executive Committee as no definite plans could be made at this time.

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, submit the following:

We, the members of the Eleventh Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Womans' Missionary Conference consider it a happy privilege to have met with Palmyra Christian Church, and we are appreciative of the many courtesies extended this body. We are deeply grateful to our heavenly Father for the many privileges and blessings accorded us on this occasion, and to have with us our ministers and laymen and friends who have honored us with their presence and help.

We recommend:

1. That we renew our devotion to the great missionary enterprise of the church and that we pledge ourselves to fullest cooperation with our ministers and laymen and study missions.

2. That we urge our ministers to preach more missionary sermons, and have mission study groups among our young people, and that more of our church members may learn of Him who said: "Go ye into all the world and preach . . ."

3. That the Secretary be requested to send greetings to our beloved Secretary of Missions, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, also that we state our approval of the memorial to Miss Victoria Edwards.

4. That we extend a rising vote of thanks and appreciation to our beloved Convention President, Mrs. John G. Truitt, to Mrs. W. L. Dudley and to Rev. F. E. Hyde, who have made our hearts glad by their presence and inspirational messages.

5. That we give a rising vote of thanks to the people of Palmyra for their kind hospitality.

To God we offer our thanks, for the glory of this day, and for the spirit of fellowship and goodwill that has pervaded the meeting, for the love that unites our hearts, and for the courage with which we face the future.

MRS. ROY D. COULTER,
MISS AMY LOUDERBACK,
MRS. MARY DAVIS,
Committee.

This report was adopted by a rising vote.

A motion passed asking for District Rallies next spring, also for a Traveling Library as we have had. The selection of books to be left to the Corresponding Secretary and the Executive Committee.

A bill was presented by the Secretary as follows:

Books ordered in September, 1937, at a cost of	\$ 3.30
Postage to mail books to societies25
Postage on letters and cards48
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	\$ 4.03

RECEIVED FROM CHURCHES.

Antioch	\$.34
Bethel34
Leaksville34
Linville (last year and this)	1.09
Newport35
Winchester34
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	2.80

Balance due on postage and books	\$ 1.23
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Report adopted and ordered paid.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Nominations submit the following:

President—Mrs. K. H. Sale, Winchester.

Vice-President—Mrs. Mary Davis, Harrisonburg, Route 3.

Secretary—Mrs. B. F. Frank, Harrisonburg, Route 4.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Helen Showalter, Harrisonburg, Route 4.

Treasurer—Miss Verdie Showalter, Harrisonburg, Route 4.

Secretary of Life Memberships and Memorials—Mrs. Lillian Eaton, Gore.

Secretaries of Young People and Junior Department—Miss Eugenia Snow, Dyke, and Mrs. R. A. Whitten, Winchester.

Secretary of Cradle Roll—Miss Amy Louderback, Shenandoah.

Secretary of Literature and Mite Boxes—Mrs. Roy D. Coulter, New Market.

Secretary of Spiritual Life—Miss Minnie Dofflemyer, Elkton, Route 2.

MRS. A. W. ANDES,

MRS. ROBERT A. WHITTEN,

MRS. E. M. SPITZER,

MISS RACHAEL ALGER,

MISS RUTH STRICKLER,

Committee.

Report adopted.

An offering was received amounting to \$6.00.

Winchester reached all goals making it a 100 per cent Society; Leaksville reached all except one which gave it 90 per cent.

Rev. W. J. Andes had charge of the Installation Service, assisted by Rev. Ward Fellows and Rev. Robert A. Whitten.

Rev. Roy D. Coulter led the closing prayer.

MRS. K. H. SALE, *President.*

MRS. B. F. FRANK, *Secretary.*

Minutes of the Twenty-Sixth Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference.

WAVERLY CHURCH, WAVERLY, VA., OCTOBER 7, 1938.

CONFERENCE THEME: "Are Ye Able?"

MORNING SESSION.

The Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference met in Annual Session and was called to order by Mr. J. Monroe Harris, President, at 10:00 A. M.

Call to Worship: "Our God whom we serve is able to deliver us."
—Daniel 3:17.

Hymn: "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"—led by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Invocation by Rev. T. Fred Wright.

Worship Service led by Mrs. J. F. Morgan. (Matthew 20:20-23.)

A summary of the reports of District Superintendents is as follows:

Norfolk District—Mrs. Joe French, Superintendent: Women's Societies, 9; members, 290; amount raised, \$1,030.71. Young People's Societies, 6; members, 115; amount raised, \$195.00. Junior Societies, 6; members, 94; amount raised, \$92.30. Cradle Rolls, 5; members, 88; amount raised, \$35.49. Total societies, 26; members, 587; amount raised, \$1,353.50. New Societies: Young People, Ocean View; Junior, Ocean View; Cradle Roll, Elm Avenue.

Nansemond - Franklin - Gates District—Mrs. Wesley Rountree, Superintendent: Women's Societies, 15; members, 606; amount raised, \$2,199.59. Young People's Societies, 13; members, 351; amount raised, \$557.65. Junior Societies, 13; members, 264; amount raised, \$292.60. Cradle Rolls, 13; members, 348; amount raised, \$75.52. Total societies, 55; members, 1,569; amount raised, \$3,125.76. Memorials: Suffolk, 1; Berea, 2; Franklin, 1; total, 4. Life Memberships, Franklin, 1; Liberty Spring Young People, 1; total, 2. In addition to the money reported above, \$242.43 was raised for special purposes, including local relief.

Waverly District—Mrs. Garland Spratley, Superintendent: Women's Societies, 5; members, 58; amount raised, \$225.00. Young People's Societies, 4; members, 60; amount raised, \$56.01. Junior Societies, 1; members, 15; amount raised, \$3.00. Total societies, 10; members, 133; amount raised, \$284.06.

The following excerpts from these reports indicate a general improvement in the work throughout the Conference:

"With the exception of one society, all women's societies met their apportionment in full, with an increase over last year." There has been "more cooperation by societies, sharing in the study book lectures, and by visiting from society to society."—*Mrs. French.*

"It is impossible to report fully as to some of our achievements. I am thinking now of the intangibles, those things which enable us to recognize the

great power of God's love in all the universe, and which create within us a constraining, a striving, a longing for that spirit which enables us to possess and utilize the power which He is willing and anxious to supply, and which makes us more conscious of our responsibilities and more willing to discharge them as genuine Christians should. The District has had a successful year. I am unable to see how there could have been shown a more beautiful spirit of cooperation throughout the entire district."—*Mrs. Rountree.*

"Our District is small, but the challenge therein is great. When the Master said to the sons of Zebedee, 'Are ye able?' they answered, 'We are able' to meet the challenge which was presented them. I believe there has never been a greater challenge to the women of Eastern Virginia than there is now."—*Mrs. Spratley.*

Hymn: "Challenge"—led by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Reports of Departments were as follows:

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

The Young People's work is progressing nicely. Since, in some churches the Young People's work is in connection with the Sunday school, and in some through Christian Endeavor or Pilgrim Fellowship, it is hard to make complete check on what has been accomplished, except in a financial way.

An effort will be made shortly to determine the best method for handling the Missionary Activities among young people. The Board hopes to make a recommendation in this matter soon.

As to finances—there were nine Honor Roll societies. Sixteen societies paid their apportionments in full and twelve over-paid. The total amount received this year was \$834.20, being less by \$173.20 than was received for the year 1936-37. This was due to a reorganization of one of the larger groups.

CAROLINA GORT,
Superintendent.

CRADLE ROLL DEPARTMENT.

Number Cradle Rolls, October 1, 1937	22
Number on roll	376
Amount of offering	\$106.57
Number Cradle Rolls, September 30, 1938	22
Number on roll	426
Promoted to Juniors	76
New members	60
Amount of offering	\$111.41
Increase in membership	50
Increase in offering	\$ 4.84

MRS. F. M. NELSON,
Superintendent.

Mrs. J. A. Williams, Superintendent of Life Memberships and Memorials, made no report.

Mrs. A. B. Jarvis, Superintendent of Spiritual Life, reported:

REPORT OF SPIRITUAL LIFE SUPERINTENDENT.

We have had high aims for the development of the spiritual life of the women of our church and we trust that many lives have been enriched during the past years and our women have been "blessed to be a blessing."

We wish to set a higher goal for today. The great message for this time is "Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness."

The theme for the next two years is to be "First Things First." The time has come for the women of our church to realize that now is the only time we have and to decide to put first things first in our lives.

The great challenge is to give God first place; to let Him be the Master of our lives. We must give him all of life, body, mind and spirit; our time, our talents, our influence, our money, our all.

We are called to be faithful stewards of our Time, Talents, and Tithes.

It is our great objective in this department to stress the value of these points; namely—Prayer, Family Altar, Bible Study, Stewardship of Time, Talents and Tithes.

How much of our time are we giving to Prayer and Bible Study? We find time for the things we wish to do. If we wish to know the greatness and power of Jesus in our lives, we must take time for the Quiet Hour with Him in Prayer and Bible Study.

What about our talents? Are we giving God our very best? There are many calls and demands today, but we should give God our best. Our women have talents and may we use them for Him.

The question do we tithe? Remember God says—If ye bring all the tithes into the store house I'll pour you out such a blessing that ye will not be able to contain it. Are Ye Able?

If we live the prayer life we can do all these things for His name sake.

Prayer makes the darkened cloud withdraw;
Prayer climbs the ladder Jacob saw;
Gives exercise to faith and love;
Brings ever blessing from above.

Restraining prayer, we cease to fight,
Prayer makes the Christian's armors bright;
And Satan trembles when he sees
The weakest saint upon his knees.

—William Cowper.

MRS. A. B. JARVIS,
Superintendent.

The Literature Report was made for Mrs. J. E. Cartwright by Mrs. Carl Key, showing the books and materials to be used during the year. She also reported that an exhibit of materials had been prepared in the Sunday school, and orders would be taken during the lunch hour.

All Department Reports adopted as read.

Sixteen ministers were recognized and Mr. F. C. Lester, our Promotional Secretary, as a visitor.

Mrs. F. C. Lester, Chaplain H. E. Rountree, Rev. and Mrs. Arnold Slater, Rev. and Mrs. John Knight were introduced to the Conference.

Mrs. M. J. W. White was recognized at this time as being a subscriber to *The Christian Sun* for sixty successive years.

Prayer was offered for Mrs. Gibson by the Rev. J. F. Morgan, who due to illness was unable to attend the Conference, but who had attended every session with this exception.

On motion greetings were sent to Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Dr. and Mrs. I. W. Johnson, Mrs. W. V. Leathers, who were absent due to illness.

Roll call of churches was called and all churches reported with a good delegation except Elm Avenue, Hopewell, Centerville, Union (Surry), and Union (Southampton).

Two new churches had a delegation, Bethlehem Congregational at Disputanta and Shelton Memorial at Portsmouth.

Hymn: "Jesus Shall Reign"—led by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

REPORT OF TREASURER.
OCTOBER 1, 1937, TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1938.

ENROLLMENT AND COLLECTIONS.

Showing number enrolled in societies and amount collected during the year:

	Women's Societies		Young People		Junior Societies		Cradle Rolls	
	No.	Amt.	No.	Amt.	No.	Amt.	No.	Amt.
Antioch	14	\$ 25.50			10	\$ 10.00		
Berea, Nansemond	29	95.25	43	\$ 30.30	20	25.00	15	\$ 3.00
Berea, Norfolk	15	66.96						
Bethlehem	54	160.00	28	100.00	24	25.50	20	5.00
Burton's Grove			14	22.70				
Christian Temple	50	400.00	25	60.00	25	42.80	20	8.00
Cypress Chapel	14	100.50	25	50.35	7	20.25	15	3.00
Damascus	32	70.00						
Dendron	13	65.85	10	8.79	5	5.50		
Elm Avenue	12	35.00						
Eure	20	29.64	20	12.00	10	3.00	12	3.00
First, Norfolk	15	75.00						
First, Portsmouth	21	75.00	14	25.00	10	17.00	8	2.00
First, Richmond	9	50.00						
Franklin	13	211.00	34	75.50	30	30.50	18	5.00
Holland	36	164.00	15	25.00	37	35.20	12	6.00
Holy Neck	32	151.00	31	41.00	14	35.50	10	5.00
Hopewell	8	7.20	8	2.25				
Isle of Wight	16	58.00						
Ivor			8	2.25				
Liberty Spring	55	201.00	30	71.00	18	25.50	18	4.50
Mt. Carmel	18	73.00	18	30.00	9	15.10	30	19.04
Newport News	45	77.00	15	28.50			10	4.49
New Lebanon			21	22.54				
Oakland	28	51.50	50	36.00	31	5.00	52	8.22
Ocean View	20	25.75	10	5.00				
Rosemont	50	201.00	26	32.00	20	17.50	20	18.00
Suffolk	143	520.00	45	50.00	50	50.00	64	10.00
Suffolk, W. W. Staley ..	45	200.00						
South Norfolk	35	75.00	25	45.00	30	15.00	30	3.00
Spring Hill			10	15.00				
Wakefield	15	52.00						
Waverly	13	50.00	10	4.50	10	2.50		
Windsor	27	82.20	12	35.00	14	15.00	9	2.16
Totals	927	\$3455.35	547	\$830.20	374	\$395.90	426	\$111.41

RECEIPTS.

Women	\$3,455.35
Young People	830.20
Juniors	395.90
Cradle Roll	111.41
Offerings from District Meetings	31.94
Conference Offering (Women)	41.06
Conference Offering (Young People)	19.42
Offering, Mission Class (Women)	23.66
Offering, Mission Class (Young People)	15.35
Special Memorial	10.00
Balance brought forward from last year	\$4,934.29
	428.14
Total	\$5,362.43

DISBURSEMENTS.

Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasurer, S. C. C.	\$4,904.90
Chart and Posters	6.29
Officers' Expenses	22.01
Printing Year Book	25.00
Stationery and Programs	35.35
Expense of Speakers	84.01
Flowers	7.75
Premium on Treasurer's bond	5.00
Expense of Delegates to Summer School of Missions	81.94
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	\$5,172.25

Balance on deposit with the Farmer's Bank, Windsor, Va.
 September 30, 1938 \$ 190.18

MRS. J. M. RABY,
Treasurer.

This is to certify that according to our records, the balance standing to the credit of the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Board of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, Mrs. J. M. Raby, Treasurer, at the close of business, September 30, 1938, is \$190.18.

S. T. HOLLAND, *Cashier*,
 Farmers Bank, Holland, Va.

HONOR ROLLS.

Honor Roll of Churches—Berea (Nansemond), Bethlehem, Christian Temple, Cypress Chapel, Eure, Franklin, Holy Neck, Liberty Spring, Mt. Carmel, Oakland, Rosemont, Suffolk, Windsor.

Honor Roll of Societies (Women)—Berea (Norfolk), Berea (Nansemond), Mt. Carmel, Cypress Chapel, Bethlehem, Suffolk, Damascus, Dendron, Newport News, Christian Temple, Rosemont, Oakland, Antioch, Holy Neck, Ocean View, Holland, Liberty Spring, Isle of Wight, Franklin, Windsor.

Honor Roll of Young People—Berea (Nansemond), Cypress Chapel, Bethlehem, Franklin, Eure, Rosemont, Liberty Spring, Newport News, Oakland.

Honor Roll of Juniors—Berea (Nansemond), Bethlehem, Cypress Chapel, Franklin, Holland, Oakland, Rosemont, Liberty Spring, Mt. Carmel.

An offering was taken amounting to \$29.88.

Address by Chaplain H. E. Rountree in U. S. Navy.

Special music by Chaplain H. E. Rountree accompanied by Mrs. R. T. Bradford.

The address of the morning was given by Mrs. James Hess of Madura American College in India.

Benediction pronounced by the Rev. John Knight.

Adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 2:30 o'clock.

Hymn: "O Zion, Haste Thy Mission High Fulfilling"—led by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Prayer by Rev. J. F. Knight.

Greetings from Mission Secretary, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, read by Mrs. R. T. Bradford.

Special music: "Challenge"—led by Rev. O. D. Poythress.

President's Message: "The Church Takes Root in India"—Mrs. J. Monroe Harris.

Panel Discussion: "The Roots of the Church in America"—given by Mrs. O. M. Cockes and Mrs. John G. Truitt.

Memoirs by Mrs. A. L. Hanbury, closing with Rev. O. D. Poythress singing, "Going Home."

The Nominating Committee gave the report as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, submit the following nominations:

President—Mrs. J. Monroe Harris.

First Vice-President—Mrs. R. T. Bradford.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. B. J. Jones.

Secretary—Mrs. Herbert P. Harrell.

Treasurer—Mrs. Everett B. Bryant.

Superintendent of Young People's Work—Miss Caroline Gort.

Superintendent of Literature—Mrs. J. F. Morgan.

Superintendent of Cradle Roll—Mrs. Frank Eppes.

Superintendent of Spiritual Life—Mrs. A. B. Jarvis.

Superintendent of Life and Memorial Memberships—Mrs. J. A. Williams.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. H. ANDREWS,

MRS. C. W. KING,

MRS. R. O. LUTER,

Committee.

On motion this report was adopted as read and these officers declared elected for following year.

The report of the Committee on Courtesy and Place was submitted, and on motion adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COURTESY AND PLACE.

We, your Committee on Courtesy and Place, submit the following:

1. That this Conference express its appreciation to this organization for the splendid program of today.

2. That we extend our thanks to Chaplain H. E. Rountree and Mrs. Mildred H. Hess for the inspiration and information given us. To Mrs. J. Monroe Harris for her challenging address; Dr. J. O. Atkinson for his splendid message and to each one who had a part on the program.

3. We wish to express our appreciation to all group leaders and officers especially to the three retiring: Mrs. J. M. Raby, Mrs. J. E. Cartwright and Mrs. F. M. Nelson for their untiring work during the past years.

4. We are thankful to the Waverly Church and its pastor for their gracious hospitality. May we extend to them a rising vote of thanks.

5. We extend to this Conference an invitation from the Richmond to meet with them in 1939.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. E. T. ATKINSON,

MRS. E. R. LAINE,

MRS. ANNIE M. BROWN,

Committee.

Recommendations for year 1938-1939 were read, and on motion adopted, as follows:

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 1938-1939.

1. That the goal for the year be \$5,500.00.
2. That all bills and reports be in the hands of the Conference Treasurer by September 15th in order that her books may be audited and her complete report made at Conference.
3. That a special offering be taken at regular Thanksgiving meeting for women and children in China.
4. That the offering at the District meeting be used to pay the expenses of one or more delegates to some Summer School of Missions, person or persons to be decided upon by Executive Committee of the Board and that Conference pay the expenses of our President to some Summer School of Missions.
5. That an increasing number of our Young People attend the local Training Institutes, and that the Superintendent of the Cradle Roll visit her group quarterly instead of once a year.
6. That District Superintendents have called meetings of Presidents from local societies as soon as possible after Conference to discuss work of their district and offering suggestions to be submitted by the District Superintendents at Board Meetings.
7. That this Conference cooperate with North Carolina and Valley of Virginia Conferences in publishing a Year Book to be used by the three Conferences for this year.

Hymns: "Are Ye Able" and "Challenge" were sung by the entire congregation as our challenge for the coming year.

Benediction pronounced by Dr. John G. Truitt and Conference adjourned to meet in Richmond, October, 1939.

MRS. J. MONROE HARRIS, *President*.

MRS. HERBERT P. HARREL, *Secretary*.

Minutes of the Twenty-Sixth Annual Session of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Conference

PARKS CROSS ROADS CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1938.

MORNING SESSION.

The Twenty-Sixth Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Societies of North Carolina Congregational-Christian Churches, was held Tuesday, October 4, 1938, at Parks Cross Roads Christian Church, near Ramseur, with the Ramseur Christian Church sharing hospitality.

Meeting opened at 10 o'clock, with the program as follows:

Theme: " 'Til We Attain."

Call to Worship: "The earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea."—The Prophet Habakkuk. This was read by Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, of Burlington, President of the Conference.

"Christ for the World We Sing," was sung and Rev. G. M. Tally gave the invocation.

The following district reports were given: Alamance, Miss Tora Rudd; Durham-Wake, Mrs. C. M. Cannon, her report was given by Mrs. E. W. Boshart; Randolph, Mrs. Hugh York; Chatham-Lee-Moore, Mrs. Doyle McFarland; Guilford, Mrs. Viola Cockman; Vance-Warren, Mrs. E. M. Carter; and Halifax, Mrs. B. J. Earp.

Moved and carried that reports be accepted.

Rev. F. C. Lester, Promotional Secretary, was introduced, and he, in turn, introduced the following ministers: Dr. Stanley Harrell, Revs. J. Howard Smith, J. W. Patton, B. J. Earp, J. Everette Neese, O. A. Elmore, M. A. Pollard, G. M. Tally, J. L. Neese, F. Erwin Hyde, S. E. Madren, E. M. Carter, J. Lee Johnson G. C. Crutchfield, E. J. Sanderson, D. M. Spence, G. H. Veazey and Dr. W. M. Jay.

The Treasurer's Report was submitted by Mrs. Chas. H. Stephenson, as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Women's Societies	\$3,377.60	
Young People's Societies	212.64	
Willing Workers	124.15	
Cradle Roll	91.87	
District Rally Offerings	46.46	
Miscellaneous	43.90	
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		\$3,896.62

DISBURSEMENTS.

Conference Expenses for Miss J. L. Jillison	\$ 10.00
Board Luncheon Expenses	5.10
Expense account—Mrs. O. H. Paris	7.50
Expense account—Mrs. W. E. Wisseman	2.00
Conference programs—J. J. Stone	20.00
One-third cost Year Book—Gurley Press	25.00
Mrs. Lightbourne, District luncheon	2.00
Conference expense—Mrs. Truitt	4.00
Expense of Receipt Books, Bynum Printing Co. ..	5.00
Speaker Mission Study day	21.37
Expenses of Miss Pattie Coghill, for Rallies	25.15
Expense, School Religion—Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne	39.00
Bank Service	1.52
To Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasurer of Woman's Mission Board for Life Memberships and Missions	3,728.62
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Mrs. CHAS. H. STEPHENSON,
Treasurer.

The following Committees were appointed:

Resolutions and Recommendations—Mrs. J. H. McEwin, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Miss Sadie Fonville.

Place—Miss Margaret Alston, Mrs. D. E. Mitchell, Mrs. Lacy Hooper, Mrs. C. P. Aldridge.

Finance—Mrs. Chas. H. Stephenson, Mrs. D. M. Estes.

Nominating—Mrs. O. H. Paris, Mrs. W. O. Caviness, Mrs. Everette Neese.

Departmental Reports were made as follows: Mrs. W. R. Sellars, "Spiritual Life," in which she stressed "prayer" and "Bible Study" for our daily living. For next year's study, she recommended Philipians. Mrs. Stanley Harrell spoke on literature and closed with a plea that we use good missionary literature.

The reports were accepted.

Former presidents, as follows, were recognized: Mesdames W. H. Carroll (deceased), L. L. Vaughan (absent), C. H. Rowland, Stanley Harrell and O. H. Paris. Lovely flowers were presented the past presidents that were present.

Congregation was asked to stand for a minute as a tribute to the late Mrs. Carroll.

Mrs. O. H. Paris, paid a wonderful tribute to the societies that had attained the Standard of Excellence: Winston-Salem, Palm Street, Greensboro and Durham.

Mesdames W. M. Jay, Viola Cockman and June Kernodle, received lovely red carnations, which they wore the remainder of the day.

Mrs. Paris' talk was based on "Be Not Weary in Well Doing."

The report was accepted.

Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne and Miss Tora Rudd and Mrs. W. E. Wisseman reported on their trip during the summer to the School of Leadership Training at Lake Winnepesaukee.

Devotional and special music followed this with Mrs. D. J. Bowden, Elon College, singing: "Love Never Faileth," and Mrs. Lester presenting devotional.

The ladies of the two churches served a picnic dinner at the price of 25 cents each. Welcome at the table was extended by Rev. G. M. Tally.

Dr. Stanley Harrell extended invitation to any that desired to confer with him about the literature. Dr. J. H. Lightbourne announced that Miss Ruth Seabury would spend a week at Burlington upon her arrival from India. (Date to be announced.)

Rev. F. C. Lester, asked that interest be shown in the local church paper, *The Christian Sun* and other suggestions to him regarding same.

A meeting was held at 1:30 o'clock by the ministers present with Rev. F. Erwin Hyde in charge.

An offering was taken, which amounted to \$19.91.

Roll call of ministers was called by the secretary of Conference, Mrs. H. D. Lambeth, Elon College. Eighteen were present.

Adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

"In Christ There Is No East or West," was used for opening hymn.

Rev. D. M. Spence offered prayer.

Departmental Reports:

Young People—Mrs. W. E. Wisseman.

Cradle Roll—Mrs. M. W. Hook.

Life Membership—Miss Margaret Alston.

"Seeking to Attain" was the topic of the splendid address, which was written by Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Elon College and was read by his secretary, Mrs. Mattie Cox Parker.

An address was given by Mrs. Mildred Hess, of American College, Madura, India.

Report of Committees received as follows:

Resolutions and Recommendations—Mrs. J. H. McEwin.

Finance—Mrs. Chas. H. Stephenson.

Place—Miss Margaret Alston.

Nominations—Mrs. O. H. Paris.

Minutes—Mrs. H. D. Lambeth.

Memorial Service—Mrs. R. O. Caviness.

The Conference accepted an invitation to meet next with the Ingram Church, in Virginia.

The Secretary, Mrs. H. D. Lambeth, was instructed to write a letter to Dr. J. O. Atkinson, expressing regret of his absence owing to illness.

The following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, Burlington, N. C.

First Vice-President—Miss Margaret Alston, Route 1, Henderson, N. C.

Secretary—Mrs. H. D. Lambeth, Elon College, N. C.

Treasurer—Mrs. Charles Stephenson, Raleigh, N. C.

Superintendent, Young People—Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, Greensboro, N. C.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. J. Everette Neese, Henderson, N. C.

Superintendent, Cradle Roll—Mrs. M. W. Hook, Elon College, N. C.

Superintendent, Spiritual Life—Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Burlington, N. C.

Superintendent, Literature—Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, Durham, N. C.

Benediction by Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, Burlington, brought the Conference to a close.

MRS. J. H. LIGHTBOURNE, *President*.

MRS. H. D. LAMBETH, *Secretary*.

Ministerial Directory

Name	Address	Year Ordained	Churches Served 1938-1939
¶Allred, J. M., R. 1, Asheboro, N. C.....		1923	Biscoe, Union Grove.
†Andes, William J., 4717 Duke St., Durham, N. C.....		1923	Happy Home, Hank's Chapel.
†Apple, J. F., Elon College, N. C.....		1916	Bethel, Mt. Zion, Pleasant Hill, Pleasant Ridge.
†Atkinson, J. O., Elon College, N. C.....		1893	Secretary of Mission Board.
†Bowden, D. J., Elon College, N. C.....		1937	Elon College Faculty.
§Bradshaw, Elisha, Walters, Va.....		1922	Business.
¶Brady, E. Carl, Box 26, Hemp, N. C.....		1928	Brown's Chapel, Ether, Needham's Grove, Pleasant Cross.
§Brittle, R. E., R. 5, Suffolk, Va.....		1929	Bethlehem, Cypress Chapel, Union (S).
†Carden, J. S., 906 Shepherd St., Durham, N. C.....		1902	Mt. Hermon, Morrisville.
*Carter, E. M., Youngsville, N. C.....		1900	Martha's Chapel, Mt. Auburn, Youngsville.
†Chapman, John R., 15 Larchmont Road, Asheville, N. C...		1933	First Congregational Church, Asheville.
†Coulter, R. D., New Market, Va.....		1919	Valley Parish.
¶Cox, H. V., Ramsaur, N. C.....		1928	Hamlet, Bennett.
†Crutchfield, G. C., R. 4, Burlington, N. C.....		1922	Bethlehem, Berea, Long's Chapel.
§Crutchfield, H. E., Windsor, Va.....		1925	Antioch, Isle of Wight, Mt. Carmel, Oak Grove, Windsor.
*Cummings, J. C., Hemp, N. C.....		Re-1938	Christian Light, Clayton, Hayes Chapel. On trial for one year before credentials will be restored.
§Council, H. G., Jr., 409 Prospect St., New Haven, Conn....		1938	Student at Yale Seminary.
†Denison, W. H., 760 Ferguson Ave., Dayton, Ohio.....		1896	Retired Secretary. Open for engagements in field of Stewardship and Church organization.
*Denton, J. A., Apex, N. C.....		1927	Lebanon, Graces Chapel.
§Dollar, Jesse H., 2308 Roanoke Ave., Newport News, Va...		1923	First Church, Newport News.
†Earp, B. J., Paces, Va.....		1913	Ingram and the Mountain Churches: Elk Spur, Ivy Hill, Rocky Ford.
†Edwards, Geo. N., 9A-King St., Charleston, S. C.....		1901	Circular Church, Charleston. (Transferring to Georgia Conference.)
Edwards, W. J., 503 Springfield Ave., High Point, N. C....			In transit.

‡Elmore, O. A., 102 Lowden St., Albemarle, N. C.....	1935	Albemarle. (Baptist ordination recognized annually until certain educational requirements are met.)
Flowers, A. R., Sims, N. C.....	1898	Engaged in Educational Work.
||Fogleman, J. U., Snow Camp, N. C.....	1926	Concord.
*Foster, J. L., Elon College, N. C.....	1886	Graham-Christian, Niagara.
*Franks, Jesse H., R. 4, Raleigh, N. C.....	1915	Business.
\$French, Joe A., R. 3, Hickory, Va.....	1928	Ocean View, Berea (N.).
||Fuller, W. B., Harrisonburg, Va.....	1916	Business.
\$Garman, W. H., 1303 27th St., Norfolk, Va.	1907	Old Zion, Norfolk.
||Green, T. J., R. 1, Ramseur, N. C.....	1915	Flint Hill, Pleasant Grove.
||Green, Edward F., B. 832, Southern Pines, N. C.....	1899	Business.
*Grissom, R. T., Buies Creek, N. C.....	1932	Amelia, Auburn, Lee's Chapel, New Elam, Plymouth, Turner's Chapel.
\$Hardcastle, H. S., 272 E. 39th St., Norfolk, Va.....	1915	Christian Temple, Norfolk.
‡Harrell, S. C., B. 185, Durham, N. C.....	1910	First Church, Durham.
\$Harward, W. D., Dendron, Va.....	1895	Retired.
\$Hilliard, N. C., Cary, N. C.....	1932	In transit.
\$House, R. Lee, Arlington Apt., Portsmouth, Va.....	1929	First Church, Portsmouth.
*Howard, B. J., Chapel Hill, N. C.....	1919	Business.
*Hyde, F. E., Cortland, N. Y.....	1931	In transit.
‡Jay, W. M., 2026 Academy St., Winston-Salem, N. C.....	1910	First Church, Winston Salem.
\$Johnson, I. W., Suffolk, Va.....	1899	Liberty Spring, Berea (Nansemond), Oakland.
*Johnson, J. Lee, Fuqua Springs, N. C.....	1911	Bethel, Catawba Springs, Piney Plain, Pleasant Hill, Pleasant Union, Wake Chapel, Wentworth.
\$Johnson, J. S., Dendron, Va.....	1926	Dendron.
\$Jones, E. W., Franklin, Va.....	1928	Franklin, Johnson's Grove.
\$Key, Carl R., Torrington, Conn.....	1935	Student at Yale University.
‡Kirbye, J. E., Defiance, Ohio.....	1899	Financial Agent for Defiance College.
\$Knight, John H., 129 Hardy St., Norfolk, Va.....	1930	First Church, Norfolk.
||Lankford, G. O., Elon College, N. C.....	1907	Retired.
\$Lassiter, L. L., Suffolk, Va.....	1900	Retired—Business.

MINISTERIAL DIRECTORY—Continued.

Name	Address	Year Ordained	Churches Served 1938-1939
\$Lee, J. H., R. F. D., Raleigh, N. C.....			Business.
\$Lester, F. C., Elon College, N. C.....		1916	Editor of "Christian Sun" and Promotional Secretary of Convention.
\$Lightbourne, J. H., 401 Church St., Burlington, N. C.....		1915	First Church, Burlington.
\$Lincoln, C. Arthur, Tryon, N. C.....		1905	First Church, Tryon.
\$Loudermilk, B. H., Ramseur, N. C.....		1934	Bailey's Grove, Pleasant Union, Spoon's Chapel.
\$Lowe, T. N., Hopewell, Va.....		1927	Hopewell.
\$Lucas, A. L., Pisgah, N. C.....		1925	Providence Chapel.
\$McCauley, J. E., 3206 Grove Ave., Richmond, Va.....		1920	First Church, Richmond.
*Madren, S. E., R. 1, Henderson, N. C.		1929	Liberty Vance, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Gilead, New Hope, Oak Level, Pope's Chapel.
\$Martin, W. C., Biscoe, N. C.....		1924	Business.
\$Moody, C. L., Jr., R. 1, Gibsonville, N. C.....		1938	Apple's Chapel, Hine's Chapel, Kellam Grove, Mt. Bethel.
\$Moffitt, D. R., Coleridge, N. C.....			Business.
\$Moore, W. C., Dover, Dela.....		1915	Epworth, Maryland.
\$Morgan, J. Frank, 3507 Bainbridge Blvd., Norfolk, Va.....		1911	Rosemont.
*Neese, J. Everett, 427 Rowland St., Henderson, N. C.....		1936	First Church, Henderson; Antioch, Bethlehem.
\$Neese, J. L., B. 736, Reidsville, N. C.....		1929	First, Reidsville; New Lebanon.
\$Newman, C. E., Virgilina, Va.....		1902	Hebron, Lebanon, Liberty, Union (V).
\$Newman, J. U., Elon College, N. C.....		1883	Faculty of Elon College.
\$Newman, N. G., R. 2, Windsor, Va.....		1891	Retired.
\$Olejar, George, R. 2, Disputanta, Va.....		1918	Bethlehem, Disputanta.
\$O'Neil, William B., Holland, Va.....		1937	Holland. (Member of New York Conference.)
\$Patton, J. W., Elon College, N. C.....		1887	Masonic Lecturer.
\$Pearce, George, 104 High St., Franklin, Va.....		1926	Business.
\$Pollard, M. A., 1612 Buffalo St., Greensboro, N. C.....		1923	Palm Street, Greensboro.
\$Poulson, M. S., 1057 Leckie St., Portsmouth, Va.....		1918	Shelton Memorial, Portsmouth.
\$Poythress, O. D., 1214 Guerriere St., So. Norfolk, Va.....		1916	South Norfolk.

||Pugh, J. O., Franklinville, N. C.....	1935	New Center.
§Phillips, S. W., 1508 Elm Ave, Portsmouth, Va.....	1938	Elm Avenue, Portsmouth.
†Raymond, C. Rexford, Sunbury, N. C.....	1900	Damascus, Eure, Oak Grove and Pastor Emeritus of Southern Pines.
§Roberts, J. M., Windsor, Va.....	1903	Union (S).
†Robinson, Allyn P., Jr., Raleigh, N. C.....	1933	United Church, Raleigh. (Member Pennsylvania Conference.)
§Kountree, H. E., 4980 Marlborough Drive, Sandiego, Cal...	1904	Chaplain of U. S. Navy, with rank of Commander.
†Scott, William T., 117 W. Forsyth St., Jacksonville, Fla....	1923	Pastor-at-Large of Georgia Conference.
†Shelton, Chas. Eldred, 1021 A St., Portsmouth, Va.....	1900	Pastor Emeritus of Shelton Memorial. (Member of Middle Atlantic Conference.)
§Slater, Arnold, Holland, Va.....	1932	Holy Neck.
†Smith, H. Shelton, Duke University, Durham, N. C.....	1915	Faculty of Duke University.
†Smith, J. Howard, Y. M. C. A., Lynchburg, Va.....	1934	First Church, Lynchburg.
§Smith, L. E., Elon College, N. C.....	1905	President of Elon College. Pastor of Elon Church.
*Sorell, M. T., 162 Third Ave., Danville, Va.....	1923	Third Avenue, Danville.
†Spence, M. T., Sophia, N. C.....	1928	First, High Point; Sophia, Flint Hill.
†Stevens, W. M., R. 2, Burlington, N. C.....	1934	Union (N. C.).
||Talley, Geo. M., Carabonton, N. C.....	1931	Christian Chapel, Moore's Union, Antioch (C), Antioch (R), Big Oak, Parks Cross Roads, Ramseur, Seagrove, Shiloh.
§Truitt, J. G., Suffolk, Va.....	1916	First Church, Suffolk.
†Veazey, G. H., Belew Creek, N. C.....	1921	Belew Creek, Pleasant Ridge, Salem Chapel.
†Voss, Carl H., 409 Prospect St., New Haven, Conn.....	1935	Student at Yale University.
§Warren, J. H., 1925 Cottage Toll Road, Norfolk, Va.....	1911	Mt. Zion, New Lebanon, Hobson, Little Creek.
§Watkins, B. H., Wakefield, Va.....	1933	Barrett's Burton's Grove, Ivor, Wakefield.
†Weekley, M. L., R. 6, Harrisonburg, Va.....	1901	Bethlehem, Lineville, New Hope.
†Whitten, R. A., B. 35, Winchester, Va.....	1923	Winchester, Timber Ridge.
†Wicker, W. C., Elon College, N. C.....	1892	Elon College Faculty.
†Williamson, R. L., Fontaine Ave., Charlottesville, Va.....	1905	In transit.
†Wiseman, W. E., 315 N. Edgeworth St., Greensboro, N. C.	1930	First Church, Greensboro.
§Wright, T. Fred, Waverly, Va.....	1924	Waverly, Spring Hill.
†Wyrick, L. L., Elon College, N. C.....	1917	Shallow Ford.

MINISTERIAL DIRECTORY—Continued.

SERVING CHURCHES WITHIN THE CONVENTION.

Name	Address	Year Ordained	Churches Served 1938-1939
Mann, M. W.,	B. 233, Elkton, Va.	Bapt.	Antioch, Bethel, Beulah, Island Ford, Mt. Olivet (R), Mt. Olivet (G).
McKee, W. J.,	Chapel Hill, N. C.	Presb.	Chapel Hill
Scannell, S. G.,	Fairfax, Va.	M. E. Ch.	Dry Run, Joppa, Leakesville, Mt. Lebanon, Newport.
Taylor, V. O.,	Southern Pines, N. C.	Presb.	Church of Wide Fellowship, Southern Pines.

LICENTIATES.

*Cross, Thomas E.,	B. 46, R. 1, Greensboro, N. C.	Carolina, Howard's Chapel, Student at Elon College.
*Dollar, Melvin,	Elon College, N. C.	Student at Yale Seminary.
*Granger, A. L., Jr.,	Yale Seminary, New Haven, Conn.	Student at Yale Seminary.
*Grissom, W. A.,	Yale Seminary, New Haven, Conn.	Mebane, Student at Elon College.
*Hedgebeth, Emmanuel,	Elon College, N. C.	Missionary.
*Huber, L. E.,	Belgian Congo, Africa.	
*Kimball, Robert M.		
*Loman, Harold,	Reich Funeral Home, Greensboro, N. C.	
*Nash, D. D.,	Concord, N. C.	Hopedale, Liberty, Smithwood, Randleman, Student.
*Powell, E. M.,	Henderson, N. C.	Beulah.
*Sanderson, E. J.,	Brown Summit, N. C.	Haw River, Monticello and student at at Elon College.
*Sears, Israel I.,	Gibsonville, N. C.	Student at Andover-Newton, New Center, Mass.
*Todd, Aubrey C.,	Sanford, N. C.	Student at Chicago Seminary and called to Sanford Church.
*Underwood, I. T.,	Yanceyville, N. C.	
*Vore, Duane,	Elon College, N. C.	Pleasant Grove, Graham-Providence and student at Elon College.

* Eastern North Carolina Conference.

† Valley of Virginia Conference.

‡ North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

§ Eastern Virginia Conference.

|| Western North Carolina Conference.

¶ Congregational-Christian Church ministers having ministerial membership in Conferences or Associations outside of the Southern Convention.

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THE CHRISTIAN TEMPLE, NORFOLK, VA.
MAY 9-11, 1939.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Southeast Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches met in its fifth biennial session in the Christian Temple, Norfolk, Va., Tuesday afternoon May 9, 1939, with the Moderator, Rev. John G. Truitt of Suffolk, Va., presiding. Rev. J. H. Dollar of Newport News, Va., led in a song service, and Dr. L. E. Smith of Elon College led the convention in prayer. Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, pastor of the entertaining church, presented a brief historical statement about the Christian Temple and welcomed the convention. Responses were made for the various states as follows: Rev. John B. Root for Florida; Rev. L. L. Stanley for Alabama; Rev. W. T. Scott for Georgia; Rev. Geo. N. Edwards for South Carolina; Rev. A. W. Hurst for Tennessee; Rev. E. H. Rainey for Kentucky; Rev. W. M. Stevens for North Carolina; and Rev. J. F. Morgan for Virginia.

The Vice-Moderator, Rev. Victor B. Chicoine of Winter Park, Fla., then took the chair and introduced Rev. John G. Truitt, Moderator, who delivered an address on "The Church Leading the Way."

The following committees were appointed:

Committee on Resolutions—Rev. J. H. Lightbourne of North Carolina; Rev. E. H. Rainey of Kentucky; Mrs. Joe French of Virginia.

Committee on Nominations—Rev. W. T. Scott of Florida; Rev. E. H. Rainey of Kentucky; Mrs. J. H. Knight of Virginia.

An invitation to hold the next convention at Wadley, Ala., was presented by Rev. G. D. Hunt, and was referred to the Resolutions Committee.

Following assignment of delegates to homes for entertainment, the convention adjourned. A fellowship supper was served at 6:30 by the Ladies of the Christian Temple.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

At 8:00 o'clock Rev. J. G. Truitt called the convention to order. A worship service was conducted by Rev. Victor B. Chicoine of Florida, the Christian Temple choir assisting. Rev. Edwin C. Gillette, Superintendent of the Southeast, introduced the speaker of the evening, Rev. Oscar E. Maurer, D. D., New Haven, Conn., Moderator

of the General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches, who spoke on "Our Larger Fellowship." Dr. Maurer said the time had come when we ought to step beyond the principle of the autonomy of the local church to the fellowship of the churches. Our churches are local, parish-minded. We have magnified our independency too much. The church should be the body of Christ, the extension in time of the Incarnation. It should be supernatural, supra-racial, and supra-class or caste, above space or time. Dr. Maurer closed with a prayer that all might be fruitful members of the church of Christ.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Rev. John G. Truitt presiding. Rev. Arnold Slater of Virginia conducted the morning devotions. Rev. W. T. Scott and Miss Pattie Lee Coghill of Florida, and Rev. J. H. Lightbourne of North Carolina, presented an informal discussion of the Program of Progress of the Division of Christian Education of the Board of Home Missions. Rev. F. C. Lester, Promotional Secretary of the Southern Convention, addressed the convention on "The Problems of Our Church in the Southeast." Rev. Hugh Elmer Brown, D. D., of Evanston, Ill., President of the Board of Home Missions, spoke to the convention on the theme, "I Salute the Church!" Fraternal representatives of the Protestant Episcopal Council of Southern Virginia were presented and spoke briefly. The Moderator appointed the following committee to carry the greetings of the Southeast Convention to the Protestant Episcopal Council: Revs. S. C. Harrell of North Carolina; Victor B. Chicoine of Florida; and C. Rexford Raymond of North Carolina.

An impressive Communion Service was conducted by Dr. L. E. Smith of Elon College and former pastor of Christian Temple. Dr. Smith was assisted by deacons from the various churches represented.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Rev. John G. Truitt, Moderator, presiding. Song service led by Mr. Baker of Newport News, Va. Rev. A. W. Hurst of Tennessee led the convention in prayer.

Chairman Lightbourne of the Resolutions Committee moved that the next session be held in 1942, the place to be determined by the Executive Committee. After discussion the motion was tabled.

The remainder of the afternoon session was devoted to Seminar discussions. Seminars on "City Problems," "Rural Problems" and "Standards of the Ministry" were combined under the leadership of Rev. J. H. Knight of Norfolk, Va., assisted by Rev. R. Wiley Scott of Georgia; Rev. J. E. McCauley of Virginia; Rev. W. J. Andes of Duke University; Rev. E. H. Rainey of Kentucky; and Rev. J. Howard Smith of Virginia. The scribe was Rev. S. E. Madren of North Carolina. The seminar on "Race Relations" was led by Rev.

J. H. Lightbourne, with discussions by Rev. A. W. Hurst and Rev. J. F. Morgan. Rev. O. D. Poythress was the scribe.

The Pilgrim Fellowship business session was held the same hour.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Pilgrim Fellowship Banquet was served at 6:00 o'clock, Rev. F. C. Lester, presiding. State delegations were presented. The address was by Miss Dorothy Truitt of Greensboro, N. C., who spoke on "What Difference Does Religion Make?" Rev. E. C. Gillette was presented a gift in recognition of the thirteen years of service as superintendent and friend of youth.

It was announced that the following officers of the Southeast Pilgrim Fellowship had been elected for the coming biennium:

President—Frances Foster of Greensboro, N. C.

Vice-President—Charles Drake of Braselton, Ga.

Secretary—Betty Chicoine of Winter Park, Fla.

Assistant Secretary—Lorene McGaw of Alabama.

Treasurer—Roland Allgood of Norfolk, Va.

Editor of Young People's Pages—Mrs. F. C. Lester.

Superintendents of Various Departments—Frances Everett of Holland, Va.; Grace Long of Georgia; Eugenia Snow of Dyke, Va.; Ann DeJarnette of Tennessee; Walter Cooper of Burlington, N. C.

At 8:00 P. M. the convention adjourned to the main auditorium, where the Vice-Moderator, Rev. Victor B. Chicoine, presided. Rev. W. E. Wisseman of North Carolina led the worship service, assisted by Rev. W. J. Andes of North Carolina and the Christian Temple choir. Rev. Hugh Elmer Brown of Evanston, Ill., addressed the delegates on "Eyes for the March." Rev. E. G. Rideout of the United Church of Canada presented a stereoptican lecture on the "Christian Mission in Africa."

An offering of \$18.28 for conference expenses was received; adjournment followed.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The convention was called to order by the Moderator, Dr. John G. Truitt. Rev. O. D. Poythress of South Norfolk, Va., led the opening song service, and Rev. G. C. Crutchfield of North Carolina conducted the devotional service. He was assisted by Rev. J. E. McCauley of Richmond, Va., who led the convention in prayer.

Rev. W. T. Scott read the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Moderator, James H. Lightbourne; Vice-Moderator, R. Wiley Scott; Secretary-Treasurer, A. W. Hurst. The Executive Committee: James H. Lightbourne, R. Wiley Scott, Pattie Lee Coghill, and Marguerite Davison.

The members of the Program Committee: Rev. James H. Lightbourne, Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Rev. G. D. Hunt, Rev. Wm. T. Scott, Rev. E. H. Rainey and J. H. Knight.

W. T. SCOTT, *Chairman*.

It was voted to receive the report and instruct the secretary to cast the ballot for the persons named. The secretary cast the ballot.

Rev. J. H. Lightbourne presented the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We express our appreciation:

1. Of this busy, but beautiful port for ships and terminal for railroads, whose shaded streets, spacious parks, numerous water courses and gracious citizens create a congenial and inspiring setting for a convention.

2. Of the architectural beauty and worshipful atmosphere of the Christian Temple and for the warm, courteous and Christian hospitality and fellowship of its pastor and people.

3. Of the publicity given the proceedings of our Convention by the Norfolk papers, *The Virginia Pilot* and the *Ledger Dispatch*.

4. Of the visit to us and service for us of the Moderator of the General Council, Rev. Oscar E. Maurer, D. D.; of Rev. Hugh Elmer Brown, D. D., President of the Home Board; and of Rev. D. T. Rideout, D. D., Editor of the *Missionary Record* of the United Church of Canada.

5. Of the services through the years of Rev. Edwin C. Gillette, Superintendent of the Southeast area, whom to know is to respect and to love.

We recommend:

1. That this Convention commend itself to the ministers and churches of our Southeast area as a means of education, inspiration and fellowship and deserving of a larger support in interest and attendance from each section it serves.

2. That this Convention should be some way associated with the promotional activities and programs of the Convention's area, and that perhaps this could be best symbolized by the word Missions.

3. That this Convention should have some source of income, and that the Executive Committee be memorialized to study this matter and propose a financial system.

The report was adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

It was voted to leave the date and place of the next meeting to the Executive Committee with the recommendations that the Southern Union College invitation be accepted if the committee deems it advisable.

It was moved by Dr. E. C. Gillette that the Moderator appoint a committee to send appropriate greetings to the Uniting Conference of the Methodist Church meeting in Kansas City, Mo. The motion was carried unanimously and Dr. Gillette was asked to serve with the Secretary on the committee.

Reports of the Findings of the Seminars held the previous day, were received by the convention as information without official action.

By vote of the convention the completion of the minutes was left in the hands of the Moderator and Secretary.

Rev. Robert Lee House of Virginia addressed the convention on the theme "Our Mission in the Southeast."

The closing address was delivered by Dr. H. E. Brown of Evans-ton, Ill., whose theme was "Towering O'er the Wrecks of Time."

The convention adjourned following the singing of "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

JAMES H. LIGHTBOURNE, *Moderator*.
ALFRED W. HURST, *Secretary*.

Minutes of Mid-Year Session of the Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference.

BETHLEHEM CHRISTIAN CHURCH, MARCH 30, 1939.

THEME: "*The Church for Our Generation.*"

MORNING SESSION.

The Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference met in Mid-Year Session, and was called to order at 10:00 A. M. by the President, R. A. Larrick. Devotional Services were conducted by Rev. R. D. Coulter, pastor of the Bethlehem Church.

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—R. D. Coulter, R. A. Whitten, W. J. Andes, M. L. Weekley.
Conference Officers—R. A. Larrick, R. A. Whitten, W. J. Andes, Samuel Earman, R. O. Rothgeb.
Chairmen of Standing Committees—R. A. Larrick, M. L. Weekley, W. C. Wampler, R. A. Whitten, Irene Hensley, J. Warner Stearn, Mrs. K. H. Sale, W. J. Andes.

Churches and Delegates:

Antioch—O. P. Holsinger, W. M. Nieswander.
Bethel—M. A. Dofflemyer, Mrs. N. O. Monger, Mrs. L. W. Synder.
Bethlehem—Homer Brown, O. A. Bazzle.
Joppa—Louise Bowman.
Leakesville—Mr. and Mrs. Ashby Foltz, Mrs. E. Lena Rothgeb.
Linville—Mrs. Mary Davis, R. Roy Hosaflook, J. Warner Stearn, Mrs. Samuel Earman.
Mayland—J. M. Lohr, Roy Crider.
Mt. Olivet (G)—Elphis Morris, Frank Morris, Mrs. Robert Collier.
Mt. Olivet (R)—Velma Wyant, Irene Hensley, Ruth Strickler.
New Hope—Ernest Spitzer, Mrs. John Eddie Bryant.
Newport—Mabel Higgs, Amy Louderback, Grover Campbell.
Palmyra—Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Clem.
Timber Ridge—Mrs. R. A. Whitten.
Whistler's Chapel—A. N. Green, Mrs. Gladys Litton.
Winchester—Mrs. K. H. Sale, Loy H. Hook, Mrs. R. A. Larrick, E. W. Cather.
Wood's Chapel—Mrs. J. A. Kagey.

The following churches were not represented: Beulah, Christian Chapel, Concord, Dry Run, East Liberty, High Point, Island Ford, Mt. Lebanon, St. Peter's, and Timber Mountain.

The welcome address was given by Mr. J. C. Bradford and the response was made by Miss Irene Hensley.

The president appointed a Press Committee: Revs. W. J. Andes, R. D. Coulter, R. A. Whitten, Mrs. Robt. Collier, Miss Amy Louderback.

On motion, the program was adopted as printed, with the proviso that the president be allowed to make such changes as necessary.

It was moved and carried that the following be invited to seats of deliberative members of the Mid-Year Conference: Rev. C. G. Scannell, Rev. M. W. Mann, Rev. Albert Bridewell, and Rev. F. C. Lester.

An open discussion was held, with each delegate participating, on the subject, "Our Church Problems."

Rev. M. L. Weekley pronounced the benediction as the Mid-Year Conference adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Mid-Year Conference was called to order at 1:30 P. M. by the President, R. A. Larrick. Rev. R. A. Whitten led the devotions.

Address on the Conference Theme: "The Church for Our Generation," by Rev. F. C. Lester. Hymn: "A Charge to Keep."

Addresses: Youth's Responsibility to the Church," Miss Ruth Strickler; "The Responsibility of Our Church to Youth," Miss Louise Bowman; and "Our Financial Obligation to Our Church," Mr. Loy H. Hook.

An offering was received for Missions which amounted to \$11.84.

An open discussion was held, with each delegate participating, on the subject: "What Is My Church Doing?"

The Trustees of the Conference, J. C. Bradford, C. W. Louderback, Samuel Earman, G. W. Rothgeb, nominated R. Roy Hosaflook to fill the vacancy made by the death of Rev. A. W. Andes. The nomination was accepted and Mr. Hosaflook was unanimously elected.

By common consent the trustees were charged to investigate the matter of the safe-keeping of the Conference records and report to the Annual Conference in August.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE.

To the Mid-Year Conference of the Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference, your Educational Committee makes the following report. Your Committee asks a further extension of time for the perfecting of its report relative to the applications of Rev. M. W. Mann and Rev. C. G. Scannell for membership into the Conference.

M. L. WEEKLEY,
R. A. WHITTEN,
R. D. COULTER,
W. J. ANDES,

Committee.

Adopted.

Remarks were made by Rev. F. C. Lester.

Hymn: "Lead On O King Eternal."

Benediction by Rev. F. C. Lester.

Proceedings of Ninety-First Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference.

NEWPORT CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
AUGUST 9 AND 10, 1939.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Ninety-First Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference met and was called to order at 10 o'clock by the President, R. A. Larrick.

The opening song service was led by Rev. J. F. Morgan, with Mrs. Morgan at the organ.

Rev. C. G. Scannell led the opening worship service.

ENROLLMENT.

Ordained Ministers—R. L. Williamson, M. L. Weekley, W. J. Andes, R. D. Coulter, R. A. Whitten, F. E. Allison.

Chairmen of Standing Committees—R. A. Larrick, M. L. Weekley, W. C. Wampler, Thelma Morris, R. A. Whitten, Mrs. Lloyd Monger, Clarence Phillips, Mrs. K. H. Sale, W. J. Andes.

Conference Officers—R. A. Larrick, R. A. Whitten, W. J. Andes, Samuel Earman, R. O. Rothgeb.

Trustees of Conference—J. C. Bradford, Samuel Earman, C. W. Louderback, G. W. Rothgeb, R. Roy Hosaflook.

Churches:

Antioch—W. M. Nieswander, E. A. Showalter.

Bethel—M. A. Dofflemyer, Mrs. W. C. Voorhees, W. H. Alger.

Bethlehem—J. Lawrence Rhodes, O. A. Bazzle, Homer Brown.

Beulah—Mrs. S. A. Jenkins.

Concord—Mrs. V. T. Huffman, Frank Derrow, Russell Smith.

Dry Run—Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rinker.

Leakesville—Mrs. Oscar Sours, Mrs. Irvine Foltz, Ben McDaniel.

Linville—R. Roy Hosaflook, Mrs. Samuel Earman, Mrs. Mary Davis, Miss Gwendolyn Smith.

Mayland—Charlotte Hillyard, E. A. Hillyard, J. M. Lohr.

Mt. Lebanon—Isaac Comer.

Mt. Olivet (G)—Eugenia Snow, Frank Morris, J. T. Marshall, Elphis Morris, Clarice Morris.

Mt. Olivet (R)—W. K. Hensley, Mrs. Lloyd Monger, Cammie Lilly.

New Hope—E. M. Spitzer.

Newport—Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Louderback, Mrs. Julia Foltz.

Palmira—Mr. and Mrs. Homer Golladay.

Timber Ridge—Mrs. A. C. Oates.

Winchester—E. W. Cather, Mrs. R. A. Larrick, Mrs. Harry Racey, Mrs. Edgar Nelson.

Wood's Chapel—Ray Stroop, J. N. Shifflett.

The following churches were not represented: Christian Chapel, East Liberty, High Point, Island Ford, Joppa, St. Peter's, Timber Mountain, and Whistler's Chapel.

It was moved and carried that the following be invited to seats as deliberative members of the Conference: Dr. L. E. Smith, C. D. Johnson, Rev. Wm. T. Scott, Rev. and Mrs. F. C. Lester, Rev. Ellis Clarke, Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Morgan, Rev. and Mrs. C. G. Scannell, Rev. and Mrs. M. W. Mann.

REPORT OF PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee, prepared programs for the Conference at a cost of \$1.50 for material and postage.

R. A. LARRICK,
W. J. ANDES,

Committee.

Adopted with the proviso that the President be empowered to make such changes as may be necessary at any time.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Executive Committee, in session with the Home Mission Committee, confirmed the appointment of the Committees that the President had appointed.

We voted to buy 125 Annuals for the year 1938-39 and the President was given the power to draw an order on the Treasurer for \$73.33 to be paid to Mr. J. T. Kernodle of the Central Publishing Company for the Annuals.

By a vote of the committees, Antioch and Beulah Church in Group No. 1, if they so desire, may move into Group 2 for this present year and the committees accepted the offer of the Southern Mission Board of \$800.00 to be given to the groups needing help, namely, Group No. 2 (as amended to include Antioch and Beulah) to receive \$184.00; Group No. 3 to receive \$258.00; and Group No. 4 to receive \$357.00. A motion was passed that from the Home Mission Fund of our Conference we pay the pastor of Linville and New Hope Churches the sum of \$50.00 and that the balance (\$369.00) be equally divided to these three groups (Groups No. 2, 3, and 4), with the proviso that the ministers receiving funds from the Southern Mission Board and from the local Home Mission Fund be approved by these same boards.

By a vote, Rev. R. D. Coulter and Rev. M. L. Weekley received the approval of these boards and the President of the Conference was empowered to draw order on the Treasurer of the Conference at the end of each quarter for the quarterly payment from the Home Mission Fund. A further motion was passed that the President of the Conference be empowered to draw orders on the Treasurer of the Conference at the end of each quarter upon the approval of the ministers to receive the money.

By a vote of the majority of the members of the committees, Rev. M. W. Mann was approved to receive the appropriations from the Home Mission Fund and the Southern Convention Mission Board.

By a vote, Rev. C. G. Scannell was requested to make application to the Committee on Education. A further motion was adopted that Rev. C. G. Scannell be paid the Home Mission appropriation during his services in the Conference this Conference year.

By a vote the amount of money on hand to be sent to the Southern Christian Convention was ordered to be sent as follows:

Elon College	40%	\$ 135.78
Foreign Missions	16%	62.31
Home Missions	16%	62.31
Superannuation	8%	31.17
Convention Fund	16%	62.31
Christian Education	4%	15.58
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A motion was passed that a letter of sympathy be sent to the family of the late Bro. R. C. Myers. The Committee stood for a moment of silent prayer in memory of our beloved Brother after which the prayer was closed by Rev. R. D. Coulter.

R. A. LARRICK,
R. A. WHITTEN,
W. J. ANDES,
J. C. BRADFORD,
R. R. HOSAFLOOK,
R. D. COULTER,
R. O. ROTHGEB,
Executive Committee.

Adopted.

The Song Service was conducted by Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Morgan.

Annual Sermon: "Evangelism, the Task of the Church"—delivered by Rev. Roy D. Coulter.

The following message, written by Dr. S. C. Harrell, President of the Southern Convention was read before the Conference:

To the Virginia Valley Central Congregational-Christian Conference—

Dear Brethren in the Lord:

This is to convey to you my Christian greetings; and to assure you of my interest in the work which you are doing and my prayers for a harmonious, inspiring and profitable session of your Conference. The times when I have been privileged to attend the sessions of your Conference stand out as spiritual highlights in my memory. Your Conference is a people with a glorious past, a noble present, and a future which offers rich possibilities. The ministry and message of the church have never been more urgently needed than in our day. The very dangers and difficulties of our day make it imperative to proclaim the Word of the Lord. It is a time when every Christian ought to be spiritually alert; when every body of believers ought to be giving itself to prayer, meditation and dedication; and when all followers of the Christ should be seeking unitedly to know and to do the will of Christ.

I regret that circumstances make it inconvenient for me to attend this present session. It seems to me that the Conferences of our Southern Convention are becoming more appreciative of our common heritage; and more anxious to deepen our spiritual fellowship. May God's richest blessings be upon this session of your Conference.

STANLEY C. HARRELL, *President,*
Southern Convention.

Address: "The Helping Hand of the Church"—Rev. F. C. Lester, Promotional Secretary of the Southern Convention.

The following were appointed on the Press Committee: Mabel Higgs, W. J. Andes, R. D. Coulter, and R. A. Whitten.

Benediction by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:30 by the President, R. A. Larrick. Rev. R. L. Williamson led the worship service.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

The early Apostolic Church had only one purpose and that purpose was its motivating power and the reason for its existence. Call that purpose Evangelism, or what you will, it meant the winning of souls for Jesus Christ. The only creed in those days was the simple Gospel, the Good News that the Savior had come with Redemptive healing for all who would accept it, a dynamic powerful enough to transform and reshape life.

In the beginning the church did not exist as an organization, but as a brotherhood bound to Jesus, the Head of His coming Kingdom. Since then organizations, programs and methods have diverted attention from the original objective until the church is so busy organizing that it has no time for agonizing. Thus, an expectant world waits for the church of the living God to declare its purpose and produce its power of Divine authority through the lives of its adherents as evidence that will convince and convict. God is waiting, too, for the church to touch that tiny wicket gate of consecration through which His abundant power may flow, but still the church goes on with its never ending program of preparation, depending, too much perhaps, upon its own educational and cultural strength.

The strength of the church is Spiritual in the highest meaning of that term, but we have diluted its program with worldliness until it has lost its flavor. Because of this condition, multitudes, hungering for spiritual food, have turned to the unrecognized, uneducated and despised few, called fanatics, who have been humble enough to pray the prayer of the penitent and to depend upon God rather than the weakness of their own wisdom. While the church desperately seeks to discover the solution to its problems, looking everywhere except the right place for an answer, these ostracised, disfranchised, brotherly bands of believers go on bearing testimony of Redeeming Grace, blundering blindly as to programs and methods.

The church is—prepared on the man side as never before in her history. Trained leaders are an asset and will supply indispensable need, but a greater need is spiritual power. Unless that Divine power is available and is released through consecrated living, our perpetual programs will profit us nothing, becoming nothing more than sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal. A mighty awakening of revival power is needed and it must come or we perish. It will come when the church accepts its true task. The church was born in a prayer meeting that opened the flood gates of Spiritual resources and sent each attendant out as a flaming Evangel to tell the Good News. Pentecostal power is the kind of experience we must have, and prayer is the price of that experience if we would evangelize this distressed, harrassed and sinful world.

R. A. WHITTEN,
E. F. SHOWALTER,
MABEL HIGGS,

Committee.

Adopted.

Address: "Marks of An Evangelist"—by Rev. J. F. Morgan of Norfolk.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

The annual Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention was held at the Winchester Church, June 14, 1939. Seventeen of our churches were represented either by delegates or by report. Five of our churches reported as having Christian Endeavor Societies or some other form of young people's organization.

We realize that the Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavors are Christ's institutions here for the purpose of conducting worship and fellowship; moulding and developing the growing and opening minds of our youth into Christian men and women.

Our Christian Endeavor Societies must be maintained and a lively interest kept up to train young people in our churches. The youth of today must be the leaders of tomorrow.

We recommend:

1. That our Sunday School teachers and officers and our Christian Endeavor Society leaders use every opportunity to improve their work.
2. That we give our support to the Elon Leadership Training Summer School by sending one or two delegates from each church.
3. That each church try to organize and maintain a Christian Endeavor Society, or some young people's organization.
4. That we rally to the support of the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention, urging pastors, officers and teachers, and especially our young people to attend.
5. That each school make a monthly offering to the Orphanage, to Missions, and a quarterly offering to the College.
6. That we take advantage of the services and help offered by our Board of Christian Education.
7. That we call upon our Promotional Secretary for services when we need him and in return cooperate in every possible way.

CLARENCE A. PHILLIPS,
ELLA PICKERING,
MRS. SAMUEL EARMAN,
E. LENA ROTHGEB,
MRS. W. H. ALGER,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

So many mistakes are being made this day and age due to ignorance, that we feel this can be avoided largely by reading. Of course, this depends upon what we read. If a religious magazine were placed in every home and read by its members, what better homes we would have. So many members of our church do not know what is happening in our own Conference; and not knowing they do not understand; and not understanding do not give their support to the enterprises of the church. Thus, every home needs *The Christian Sun*. Our homes need the Bible, likewise, not only to guide them each day, but also to strengthen their Christian belief and action. We must feed our souls upon that which is clean and wholesome.

We recommend the following:

1. That the pastors be responsible for appointing an active religious literature committee in each church.
2. That we continue to try to raise the quota of 225 *Christian Sun* subscriptions as apportioned last year by the Southern Convention.
3. That each church strive to start a Church School Library.
4. That the *Missionary Herald*, *Pilgrim Highroad*, *Social Action*, and Sunday school literature published by our denomination be used in our schools and societies and homes.
5. That the parents be responsible for the use of the Bible in the home as a daily guidance and training in Christian character.

MRS. LLOYD MONGER,
MRS. EDGAR NELSON,
W. M. NIESWANDER,
EUGENIA S. SNOW,

Committee.

Adopted.

Address: "The Christian Church's Contribution to Higher Education"—by Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College.

The President appointed R. Roy Hosaflook and C. W. Louderback to the Nominating Committee. The Conference elected Russell Smith, J. C. Bradford and J. M. Lohr to this committee.

Thelma Morris, Mrs. K. H. Sale and O. A. Bazzle were appointed to the Committee on Resolutions.

E. Floyd Showalter, E. Lena Rothgeb and J. A. Kagey were appointed to the Committee on Place.

Benediction by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

WEDNESDAY—EVENING SESSION.

The services were in charge of the Pilgrim Fellowship of the Conference with Miss Eugenia Snow presiding.

Rev. F. C. Lester explained the Mission Project of the Southeast Pilgrim Fellowship in China. An offering of \$12.86 was taken.

The following officers of the Pilgrim Fellowship were installed by Rev. W. T. Scott, Dr. L. E. Smith and Rev. F. C. Lester:

President—Eugenia S. Snow.

Vice-President—Mrs. Lloyd Monger.

Secretary—Raymond Andes.

Assistant Secretary—Rhoda Driver.

Treasurer—Raymond Andes.

Superintendent of Publications and Reporter—Mabel Higgs.

Superintendent of Missions—Anna Lou Showalter.

Superintendent of Social Action—Hazel Davis.

Superintendent of Devotional Life—Thelma Morris.

Superintendent of Leadership Training—Gwendolyn Smith.

Pastor Counselors—R. D. Coulter, M. W. Mann, R. A. Whitten.

Lay Counselors—R. R. Hosaflook, R. O. Rothgeb, Mrs. Edgar Nelson.

Address: "Making the Most of Our Life"—by Rev. Wm. T. Scott of Florida.

Benediction by Rev. F. C. Lester.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:45 by the President, R. A. Larrick.

Rev. J. F. Morgan led the Song Service.

Rev. M. W. Mann conducted the Worship Service.

Address: "Our Orphanage"—by C. D. Johnston, Superintendent. Mr. G. W. Rothgeb spoke in behalf of the Orphanage at Elon College.

Address: "Building With Christ"—by Rev. Wm. T. Scott.

An offering, amounting to \$17.71, was received to assist the Conference on paying the expenses of Rev. Wm. T. Scott and Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Morgan.

Dr. L. E. Smith spoke in behalf of the Golden Anniversary of Elon College.

Benediction by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:30 by the President, R. A. Larrick. Rev. R. A. Whitten led the worship service.

The Conference adjourned to meet in the Conference Missionary Association which followed.

CONFERENCE MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

The Conference Missionary Association was called to order by the President, Rev. W. J. Andes. Miss Anna Lou Showalter was appointed to fill the secretary's chair because of the absence of Mrs. Howard Hensley, the regular secretary.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The roll was called.

The treasurer reported the following membership fees received:

Rev. W. J. Andes, \$5.00; Rev. R. D. Coulter, \$5.00; Rev. R. L. Williamson, \$5.00; Rev. R. A. Whitten, \$5.00; Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention, \$10.00; G. W. Rothgeb, \$5.00; Loy H. Hook, \$5.00; Samuel Earman, \$5.00; O. W. Andes, \$5.00; Mrs. Barbara Andes, \$2.50; Miss Mary Pickering, \$5.00; Mrs. J. E. Bryant, \$2.50; Miss Verdie Showalter, \$2.50; Miss Olive Showalter, \$2.50; Miss Minnie Showalter, \$2.50; New Hope Church, \$5.00; Linville Church, \$5.00; Bethlehem Church, \$5.00; Linville Woman's Missionary Society, \$5.00; Woman's Bible Class, Linville, \$2.50; R. A. Larrick, \$5.00; Mrs. F. C. Lester, \$2.50. Total, \$107.50.

It was moved and carried that all money from membership fees be turned over to the Conference Treasurer for the Home Mission Fund.

The following new names were added to the roll: Mrs. Samuel Earman, Mrs. C. M. McCoy and Mrs. F. C. Lester.

The following officers were elected: President, Rev. R. A. Whitten; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Anna Lou Showalter.

The meeting adjourned to meet again at the next regular session of the Annual Conference in August, 1940.

W. J. ANDES, *President*.

ANNA LOU SHOWALTER, *Secretary*.

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Conference in session again.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

In this conference it seems that there is much good that could be accomplished by having at least a part time director in the field. A lack of finances prohibits a definite program from being carried out. Your present director has found time to collect what information he could from the various sources and send in a partial report on the work done in the several churches. Much has been left undone but time and distance from the field of service have been serious drawbacks. In spite of these conditions, by the aid of faithful workers and pastors, your director believes the Conference is making progress in the field of Religious Education.

All the church secretaries were contacted for a report on the following items except Island Ford, Mt. Lebanon and St. Peter's:

1. Number of Teacher Training Classes held—1.
2. Number of Counselor Meetings held—37.
3. Number of delegates sent to Elon—22.

4. Number of Daily Vacation Bible Schools—5; number of pupils enrolled—165; number of Bible schools workers—19.

The reports show that Rev. M. W. Mann helped in the Daily Vacation Bible School and Rev. R. D. Coulter conducted Bible classes.

The following recommendations are offered :

1. That a supervisor of Religious Education be appointed in each church whose duty will be to assist the Director of the Conference Religious Education in carrying out a program he may devise as well as to coordinate the work and to facilitate the compiling of the annual report and at the same time lessening the report work of the church secretary.

2. That the churches give more concern to the problem of providing a balanced recreational program for its youth.

3. With a growing supply of trained Religious Education workers, the Mid-Year Conference would do well to charge and commission those qualified to help put on Daily Vacation Bible Schools within the confines of the Conference. Under the supervision of the local pastor there should be no reason why every church should not have a school if it so desired.

A. A. DOFFLEMYER, *Director*.

Adopted.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE MISSION SECRETARY.

Again, we as a Conference are called upon to give an account of our stewardship in the cause of Missions during the year that is past and gone.

We can only give here an account of the visible results in a financial way, not being able to know the number of souls which may have been rescued through our efforts. Only the Lord of the harvest knoweth that.

In comparing our offerings through the Sunday schools and churches this year with those of last year, we find that we have not measured up with last year. The figures are as follows:

Sunday Schools last year	\$ 385.01	
Sunday Schools this year	370.16	
		\$ 14.85
Churches last year	\$ 176.50	
Churches this year	158.48	
		18.02
Total loss		\$ 32.87

We find in the Holy Word (I Corinthians 1:21) that it hath pleased God by the preaching of the Word to save them that believe. The Holy Word also places the responsibility on the followers of Jesus to preach the Word. We should therefore take more seriously the command of our Master to go into all the world with the Gospel.

We, therefore, urge each one to strive to do more for the cause of missions during the next Conference year, as there probably was never a time when the preaching of the full Gospel was more needed than now. We trust that each Sunday school superintendent and pastor will continually keep this all important matter before their people.

R. O. ROTHGEB,

Conference Mission Secretary.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

When the Lord Jesus Christ said "Go ye and teach all nations" and "Lo, I am with you alway," He knew full well that He was releasing an idea that had no limitations to its power. We, who are missionary in spirit and in deed, hardly know the power of this idea.

It becomes necessary to have implements through which to express our love and faith. These implements, in part, are churches, schools, hospitals, semi-

naries, summer camps, etc. "By these shall all men know that ye are my disciples."

Are we, as members of the Virginia Valley Central Congregational and Christian Churches, willing to sacrifice so that our foreign friends may have these implements? Are we willing to spend a few moments daily for those who have not had the privileges which we have had? Are we willing to spend more time in studying the conditions and work of the foreign fields so that we might understand and become more interested?

We recommend the following:

1. That we spend more time in prayer for missions and observe the World Day of Prayer.

2. That the pastors and leaders of this Conference stress the cause of missions and teach our people about the foreign fields.

3. That when the Conference budget is revised the committee consider giving missions a larger percentage of its funds and that each church strive to raise its quota and more if possible.

4. That we strive to understand people of other races and nationalities and that by this understanding we show a kind, sympathetic, and Christian spirit toward them.

THELMA MORRIS, *Committee Chairman.*

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

When Jesus was on earth in person he went about doing good and demonstrating by his own life that he and the Father were one, so that those with whom he came into contact could see and know that he had *something* that they didn't have. When Elijah's God answered by fire on Mt. Carmel, it proved that he had *something* that the worshippers of Baal didn't have. Jesus established his church for the purpose of demonstrating to the world that his church had *something* that the world didn't have.

The Home Mission work of our Conference is, therefore, to prove to the world that we have *something* that the world doesn't have. This *something* is to be demonstrated not simply in the pennies that we may give but in the life we may live. Be ye separate, saith the Lord.

We urge the churches to give more earnest heed to the things of God and less of our time and thought to the things of the world that the world may know that we who profess to be his followers have that *something* that helps to control and guide ourselves in times of trials and disappointments. Without this *something* the church is powerless to demonstrate to the world the power of Christ and is unable to do effective work in the Home Mission field.

We, therefore, urge that the church use the most spiritual leadership at its command in all of its offices, such as the ministry and lay leadership.

W. C. WAMPLER,
J. M. LOHR,
E. M. SPITZER,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WOMAN'S BOARD.

"Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." The people in need of God's saving truth dwell in every land. Jesus made no distinction between the home and the foreign field. The Christian Missionary is a laborer with God, wherever he or she labors. Christ came that men might have life and that they might have it more abundantly.

The twelfth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Conference met at Mt. Olivet (R) Christian Church on July 27, 1939. The churches from Rockingham, Shenandoah, Page, Green, Frederick and Hampshire Counties were represented.

The speakers for the day were Mrs. M. J. W. White, a returned missionary from the Philippines; Mrs. G. P. Bostick, a returned missionary from China; Rev. Rush Sine of High View, W. Va.; and Mr. Leslie Wing of Poplar, Mont. Mrs. White and Mrs. Bostick thrilled their audience with the first hand information from the fields in which they had labored. Rev Sine gave an interesting lecture on India. Mr. Wing, a young Indian from Montana, spoke on the "Indian Life on the Reservation." He made a great impression on his audience as he spoke earnestly about his people. The young people of Winchester gave a pageant, entitled "Inspiration." The pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. M. W. Mann, and the ladies of the church entertained royally.

The following officers were installed: President, Mrs. K. H. Sale; Vice-President, Mrs. S. A. Jenkins; Secretary, Miss Helen Showalter; Treasurer, Miss Verdine Showalter; Superintendent of Life Membership and Memorials, Mrs. R. A. Larrick; Superintendent of Young People and Juniors, Mrs. R. A. Whitten; Superintendent of Cradle Roll, Miss Mabel Higgs; Superintendent of Literature and Mite Boxes, Mrs. Oscar Sours; Superintendent of Spiritual Life, Miss Opal Oats.

Goals and apportionments were not changed. Reports were received by our Treasurer from seven women's societies, six young people's societies and five cradle rolls. The remittance from these societies was \$446.17. The societies reaching all goals were Antioch and Winchester. District and departmental reports showed faithful stewardship and new courage. The conference was closed with an impressive installation service led by Rev. Roy D. Coulter.

We are hoping some day to reach our goal: "A working missionary society in every church in our Conference."

Therefore we recommend:

1. That the ministers and laymen of this conference strive to develop a greater missionary atmosphere in their churches.
2. That special mission services be held in each church at least once a year.
3. That each church seek to have its women organized into a woman's missionary society.
4. That every pastor see to it that his churches receive missionary information and seek to interest the people in real mission activities.

MRS. K. H. SALE,
MRS. A. W. ANDES,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN UNION.

The prayer of all Christians should be the prayer of Christ. "Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; that they all may be one." Christ realized that there must be a oneness of His followers if the world would believe in Him. A united Christian effort, we believe, is the only force that will defeat the powers of Satan. We, therefore, commend every step taken by those who lead and follow to bring about this union.

First, we must tune our souls in harmony with God; then try to develop peace and harmony in our local churches and communion; then we will be ready for a wider fellowship with the brethren in Christ.

We, therefore, recommend that all Christians dedicate their lives to Christ and work for a more unified church, presenting to the world, one faith, one God which is the Father of us all.

J. WARNER STEARN,
T. Z. ALGER,
ELPHIS MORRIS,

Committee.

Adopted.

It was moved and carried that the President be authorized to draw orders on the Treasurer for the following bills to be paid:

Secretary of Conference	\$ 20.00
Treasurer of Conference	15.00
Rev. Wm. T. Scott	15.00
Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Morgan	12.00
Printing Programs	1.50

Total	\$ 63.50
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REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, having been encouraged and inspired by the wonderful messages and splendid reports, submit the following:

Be it resolved:

1. That we take to our individual churches some of these thoughts of inspiration so that they may share, in a measure, the fellowship which we have so much enjoyed here.

2. That we strive to make the houses in which we live homes that will cooperate and work with the church for the betterment of future generations.

3. That we give the youth a work and a part in the program of our church.

4. That we approve the plan of the Elon College Golden Anniversary Club, and ask all friends and Alumni whenever possible to join it.

5. That we express our thanks and appreciation to all officers and persons on the program for their efforts and work.

6. That we take a rising vote of thanks for the kind hospitality of Newport Christian Church.

THELMA MORRIS,
MRS. K. H. SALE,
O. A. BAZZLE,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE.

We, your Committee on Place, recommend that the Conference accept the invitation of the Bethlehem Church.

E. F. SHOWALTER,
MRS. E. LENA ROTHGEB,
MRS. ROY RINKER,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, submit the following nominations of officers for the ensuing year:

President—R. A. Larrick.

Vice-President—R. A. Whitten.

Secretary—W. J. Andes.

Assistant Secretary—Clarence Phillips.

Treasurer—Samuel Earman.

Director of Religious Education—Miss Eugenia Snow.

Assistant Directors of Religious Education—Norman Morris and

Miss Amy Louderback.

Mission Secretary—R. O. Rothgeb.

Stewardship Secretary—Raymond Andes.

R. R. HOSAFLOOK,
C. W. LOUDERBACK,
J. C. BRADFORD,
J. M. LOHR,

Committee.

Adopted.

The following resolution was offered by the Winchester Church and was unanimously adopted by the Conference:

RESOLUTION.

To the Officers and Members of the Virginia Valley Central Conference of Congregational-Christian Churches, Newport, Va.:

We, the members of the Winchester Congregational-Christian Church of Winchester, Va., petition that the Conference issue a deed to the Winchester Christian Church, for the church property which was deeded to the Conference when the Christian Church was organized in Winchester.

The purpose for the transfer of this property is that the Winchester Church may, when by vote of the church it deems wise and proper, build a suitable parsonage thereon. To execute necessary papers to properly safeguard the interests of those who would finance such an undertaking, would involve the whole Conference. Therefore, we pray that the Conference be relieved from future obligations now by granting the deed as requested.

Done by order of the church in regular Quarterly Conference and favorably acted upon by a representative group of members and officers, August 2, 1939.

ROBERT A. WHITTEN, *Pastor.*

ROY A. LARRICK, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee recognizes the importance of education, and in a sense of obligation to the inestimable service that has been rendered the church by Elon College during the past fifty years in training and preparing our young men and women for life's service, especially our ministers and our missionaries for their sacred tasks. Every member of the Christian Church within the bounds of our Southern Christian Convention has received much benefit from Elon College and owes a debt of gratitude to the college. The college deserves continued loyalty and devotion that it may render even greater service to our church in the future.

We, therefore, commend Elon College in its present campaign to clear its indebtedness and establish an endowment to insure its future success, and appeal to every loyal member of our churches in this Conference to respond to this challenge which comes to us in this crucial hour of our college.

Your committee recommends that Rev. C. G. Scannell be recognized as pastor of the group of churches he is now serving until the end of this calendar year (December 31, 1939), and at his own request, the President of the Conference be authorized to return his application for membership in the Conference and his credentials to him.

Your Committee recognizes Rev. M. W. Mann as pastor of the group of churches he is serving, and at his own request, we recommend that the consideration of his application be deferred another year.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. WEEKLEY,
W. J. ANDES,
R. D. COULTER,
R. A. WHITTEN,
R. L. WILLIAMSON,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We recommend that the Conference raise the same amount, \$2,915.00, for Conference apportionments with the following changes in percentages: Convention Missions, 25 per cent; Elon College, 13 per cent; Orphanage, 20 per cent; other items to remain the same. See table of apportionments on next page:

CHURCH	Conference Fund	Superannuated Fund	Convention Missions	Christian Education	Convention Fund	Elon College Fund	Orphanage	TOTAL
Antioch	\$ 46.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 26.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 200.00
Bethel	23.00	6.00	25.00	4.00	9.00	13.00	20.00	100.00
Bethlehem	46.00	12.00	50.00	8.00	18.00	26.00	40.00	200.00
Beulah	8.05	2.10	8.75	1.40	3.15	4.55	7.00	35.00
Concord	17.25	4.50	18.75	3.00	6.75	9.75	15.00	75.00
Dry Run	23.00	6.00	25.00	4.00	9.00	13.00	20.00	100.00
Island Ford	3.45	.90	3.75	.60	1.35	1.95	3.00	15.00
Joppa	5.75	1.50	6.25	1.00	2.25	3.25	5.00	25.00
Leaksville	69.00	18.00	75.00	12.00	27.00	39.00	60.00	300.00
Linville	69.00	18.00	75.00	12.00	27.00	39.00	60.00	300.00
Mayland	40.25	10.50	43.75	7.00	15.75	22.75	35.00	175.00
Mt. Olivet (R) ...	40.25	10.50	43.75	7.00	15.75	22.75	35.00	175.00
Mt. Olivet (G) ...	46.00	12.00	50.00	8.00	18.00	26.00	40.00	200.00
Mt. Lebanon	11.50	3.00	12.50	2.00	4.50	6.50	10.00	50.00
New Hope	23.00	6.00	25.00	4.00	9.00	13.00	20.00	100.00
Newport	46.00	12.00	50.00	8.00	18.00	26.00	40.00	200.00
Palmyra	11.50	3.00	12.50	2.00	4.50	6.50	10.00	50.00
St. Peter's	3.45	.90	3.75	.60	1.35	1.95	3.00	15.00
Timber Ridge	46.00	12.00	50.00	8.00	18.00	26.00	40.00	200.00
Whistler's Chapel .	11.50	3.00	12.50	2.00	4.50	6.50	10.00	50.00
Winchester	69.00	18.00	75.00	12.00	27.00	39.00	60.00	300.00
Wood's Chapel ...	11.50	3.00	12.50	2.00	4.50	6.50	10.00	50.00
Totals	\$670.45	\$174.90	\$728.75	\$116.60	\$262.35	\$378.95	\$583.00	\$2,915.00

W. J. ANDES,
R. A. WHITTEN,
MRS. R. A. LARRICK,
R. D. COULTER,
MRS. R. C. MYERS,
Committee.

Adopted.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees:

Executive—R. A. Larrick, R. A. Whitten, W. J. Andes, J. C. Bradford, R. R. Hosaflook, R. D. Coulter, and R. O. Rothgeb.

Education—R. A. Whitten, R. L. Williamson, R. D. Coulter, M. L. Weekley, and W. J. Andes.

Home Missions—C. W. Louderback, J. M. Lohr, E. M. Spitzer, E. A. Hillyard, and W. K. Hensley.

Foreign Missions—Thelma Morris, Mrs. Fred L. Oates, B. F. McDaniel, and Clarence Rush.

Evangelism—R. D. Coulter, E. F. Showalter, and Mabel Higgs.

Religious Literature—Mrs. Lloyd Monger, Mrs. Edgar Nelson, W. M. Nieswander, and Eugenia Snow.

Christian Union—J. Warner Stearn, Elphis Morris, and T. Z. Alger.

Sunday School and Christian Endeavor—Clarence Phillips, Ella Pickering, Mrs. E. Lena Rothgeb, Mrs. Samuel Earman, and Margie Alger.

Social Service—Norman Morris, Anna Lou Showalter, Dora Life, and Mrs. W. H. Alger.

Apportionment—R. Roy Hosaflook, R. A. Whitten, R. D. Coulter, Mrs. R. A. Larrick, and Mrs. R. C. Myers.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE TREASURER.

HOME MISSIONS.

Cash on hand	\$ 535.09
Received from Conference Missionary Association	107.50
Conference Collections	434.77

Total amount received	\$1,077.36
Paid R. D. Coulter	\$ 124.00
Paid M. L. Weekley	50.00
Paid M. W. Mann	93.00
Paid C. G. Scannell	72.34
	<hr/> 339.34

Balance on hand	\$ 738.02
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CONFERENCE FUND.

Cash on hand	\$ 385.78
Received	13.50
Special Collection	17.18

Total amount received	\$ 416.46
Paid for Printing Programs	\$ 1.50
Paid W. J. Andes, Secretary	20.00
Paid Samuel Earman, Treasurer	15.00
Paid Burke and Price	5.00
Paid Central Publishing Company	73.33
Paid W. T. Scott	15.00
Paid J. F. Morgan	12.00
	<hr/> 141.83

Balance on hand	\$ 274.63
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CHURCH EXTENSION.

Cash on hand	\$ 36.88
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SOUTHERN CONVENTION.

Cash on hand	\$ 389.46
Conference collections	235.21

Total amount received	\$ 624.67
Paid L. L. Vaughan, Treasurer	389.46

Balance on hand	\$ 235.21
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The following amounts to be divided as paid in by the churches:

Superannuation	\$ 26.50
Christian Education	17.39
Convention Fund	145.20
Southern Conference Missions (Home and Foreign) ..	14.85
Elon College	12.69
Christian Orphanage	18.58

Total	\$ 235.21
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Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL EARMAN, *Treasurer.*

The following churches were enrolled as Banner Churches on the basis for such enrollment as found on page 25 of the 1937 *Annual*:

Antioch, 65 per cent; Bethlehem, 65 per cent; Linville, 70 per cent; Mt. Olivet (G), 100 per cent; New Hope, 80 per cent; Palmyra, 75 per cent; Timber Ridge, 85 per cent, Winchester, 65 per cent.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CONFERENCE.

We, the Board of Trustees of the Conference, recommend that the following churches be retained on the Conference Roll for another year: High Point, East Liberty, Timber Mountain, and Christian Chapel.

J. C. BRADFORD,
G. W. ROTHGEB,
C. W. LOUDERBACK,
R. ROY HOSAFLOOK,
SAMUEL EARMAN,

Trustees.

Adopted.

It was moved and carried that any unfinished business be left in the hands of the Executive Committee.

Closing Address: "God Bless You, Everyone"—by Rev. F. C. Lester.

It was moved and carried that we adjourn to meet Wednesday and Thursday (August 7-8) before the second Sunday in August, 1940.

Benediction by Rev. F. C. Lester.

W. J. ANDES, *Secretary*,
Harrisonburg, Va.

R. A. LARRICK, *President*,
Winchester, Va.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

Allison, F. E.—No churches. Sermons, 20; addresses, 5; conversions, 1; baptisms, 1.

Andes, W. J.—Churches: Happy Home in North Carolina and Virginia Conference and Hank's Chapel in Western North Carolina Conference. Sermons, 101; addresses, 14; conversions, 25; baptisms, 23; members received, 27; pastoral visits, 550, 550; marriages, 1; funerals, 10. Salary, \$750.00. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*. (Nine months' report while a student at Duke University.)

Brill, Walton E.—No report. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*.

Coulter, Roy D.—Churches: Valley Pastorate, Palmyra, Wood's Chapel, Whistler's Chapel, Mayland, Concord, Bethlehem. Sermons, 176; addresses, 7; conversions, unknown; baptisms, 18; members received, 26; pastoral visits, 434; marriages, 16; funerals, 19. Salary, \$1,032.00. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun* and *Advance*.

Mann, M. W.—Church: Antioch, Bethel, Mt. Olivet (R), Mt. Olivet (G), Island Ford, Beulah. Sermons, 125; funerals, 8; marriages, 3; members received, 23; baptisms, 24; pastoral visits, 508. Salary, \$738.00, plus Mission appropriation. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*. (Nine months' report.)

Scannell, C. G.—Churches: Leakesville, Newport, Mt. Lebanon, Dry Run, Joppa. Sermons, 41; conversions, 11; baptisms, 11; members received, 12; pastoral visits, 166; marriages, 1; funerals, 1. Salary, \$381.09, plus Mission appropriation. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*. (Seven months' report.)

Weekley, M. L.—Churches: Linville, New Hope. Sermons, 115; addresses, 7; conversions, 41; baptisms, 27; members received, 38; pastoral visits, unknown; marriages, 2; funerals, 9. Salary, \$530.00. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun* and *Advance*.

Whitten, R. A.—Churches: Timber Ridge and Winchester. Sermons, 119; addresses, none; conversions, 5; baptisms, 5; members received, 8; pastoral visits, unknown; marriages, 99; funerals, 11. Salary, \$1,200.00. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*.

Proceedings of the One Hundred Nineteenth Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

SOUTH NORFOLK CHRISTIAN CHURCH, SOUTH NORFOLK, VA.
NOVEMBER 1-3, 1939.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference met in 119th Annual Session, Wednesday, November 1, 1939, at the South Norfolk Christian Church, and was called to order by the President, Rev. J. Frank Morgan, at 10:00 A. M. Hymn: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" was led by Rev. Jesse H. Dollar, accompanied by Mrs. I. W. Johnson. Scripture lesson by Rev. H. E. Crutchfield (Matt. 16: 13-18), who also led in prayer.

The roll was called, and the following ministers and delegates were enrolled for the session:

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—Revs. R. E. Brittle, H. E. Crutchfield, Jesse H. Dollar, Joe A. French, W. H. Garman, A. Lanson Granger, Jr., H. S. Hardcastle, Robert Lee House, I. W. Johnson, Elwood W. Jones, John H. Knight, L. L. Lassiter, F. C. Lester, T. N. Lowe, J. F. Morgan, N. G. Newman, George Olejar, W. B. O'Neill, G. A. Pearce, O. D. Poythress, S. W. Phillips, J. M. Roberts, Arnold Slater, L. E. Smith, Aubrey C. Todd, John G. Truitt, J. H. Warren, B. H. Watkins, T. Fred Wright, Sam N. Hurst, Kenneth Cornwell.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—By letter.

Barrett's—J. F. Wellons, Josie B. Barrett.

Berea (Nansemond)—Rev. Sam N. Hurst, Mrs. R. T. Bradford.

Berea (Norfolk)—E. J. Hall, E. W. Hodges, Mrs. H. S. Parsons, Mrs. T. W. Parker.

Bethlehem—O. D. King, Mrs. O. D. King, Mrs. C. W. King.

Bethlehem (Disputanta)—Rev. George Olejar.

Burton's Grove—By letter.

Centerville—By letter.

Christian Temple—J. S. Felton, Mrs. A. B. Jarvis, Dr. A. H. Perkins, Dr. J. W. Manning.

Cypress Chapel—Mrs. R. M. Jones, T. F. Ellis, Mrs. James Lewter.

Damascus—J. E. Corbitt.

Dendron—W. S. Barrett, Mrs. W. S. Barrett, E. T. Atkinson, Mrs. E. T. Atkinson.

- Elm Avenue*—S. G. Knick, Mrs. S. G. Knick, Mrs. S. W. Phillips.
Eure's—Mrs. D. S. Harrell, Mrs. Elijah Harrell.
First, Norfolk—Mrs. C. A. Marwitz, W. A. Johnson, Mrs. A. F. Hosier, Mrs. C. L. Hanbury.
First, Portsmouth—Mrs. R. A. Williams, Mrs. Russell Ewig, W. H. Lee.
First, Richmond—John T. Kernodle, W. J. Stephenson.
Franklin—J. A. Williams, Vaughn Beale, Mrs. E. L. Beale, E. L. Beale.
Holland—J. P. Dalton, E. J. Norfleet, J. L. Jolly.
Holy Neck—H. V. Holland, Mrs. Carroll Howell, Miss Lillye Holland, Emmett Harrell.
Hopewell—Mrs. T. N. Lowe.
Isle of Wight—Mrs. S. W. Darden, S. Ray Turner.
Ivor—Miss Dona Williams, Madeliene Brantley.
Johnson's Grove—Mrs. B. F. Hancock, Mrs. H. P. Beale.
Liberty Spring—Harrel Byrd, I. T. Byrd, E. B. Rawles, H. E. Savage.
Little Creek—W. E. Hudgins, Miss Ida Baum.
Mt. Carmel—Miss Mason Holland.
Mt. Zion—Mrs. J. L. Gray, Mrs. J. Goodrich.
New Lebanon—Ollie V. Cockers, John Savage.
Newport News—Mrs. Leonard Davis, Mrs. G. G. Givens, Mrs. W. R. Cole, Leonard Davis.
Oakland—Mills E. Godwin, Jr., Mildred Godwin, G. C. Griffin, Mrs. J. Rollie Gayle.
Oak Grove—Mrs. Waverly Parker, Mrs. Alex Jones, Mrs. Emmett Jones, Miss Peggy Eason.
Ocean View—Mrs. L. F. Todd, Mrs. L. R. Bartholemew.
Old Zion—W. Pearson, Mrs. W. Pearson, Mrs. W. H. Garman.
Rosemont—Mrs. E. C. Casey, Mrs. H. R. Morrison, H. R. Morrison.
Shelton, Portsmouth—Mrs. Lydia Fleming, Mrs. Wm. F. Lawrence.
Spring Hill—G. C. White, Mrs. G. C. White.
Suffolk—Mrs. Emily Crocker, Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Col. J. E. West, W. E. MacClenny, Mrs. Annie Staley Calhoun.
South Norfolk—R. C. Ethridge, E. L. Beale, R. E. Brinkley, C. E. Hollowell, George Brinkley.
Union, Southampton—Nellie M. Scott, Herman A. Scott.
Union, Surry—Paul Wrenn, Frederick Huber.
Wakefield—W. R. Clark, Mrs. W. R. Clark.
Waverly—Mrs. E. L. Gray, Mrs. B. E. White, Mrs. T. Fred Wright.
Windsor—Mrs. A. P. Beale, Mrs. J. M. Rabey, S. T. Holland.

The following ministers were invited to seats as deliberative members of the Conference: Revs. Sam N. Hurst, Kenneth Cornwell, C. Rexford Raymond, and W. B. O'Neill.

Address of Welcome by Mr. Roy Brinkley. Response by Dr. W. B. O'Neill.

Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, D. D., brought greetings from Rev. and Mrs. Carl R. Key, Torrington, Conn.; Emmanuel Hedgebeth, Yale Divinity School; and Miss Frances Everett, Hartford Seminary.

The report of the Executive Committee was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Executive Committee met at the Suffolk Christian Church December 9, 1939, with the following members present: Rev. J. F. Morgan, Rev. Robert Lee House, Rev. I. W. Johnson, D. D., Col. J. E. West, Mr. W. H. Baker, and Rev. John G. Truitt. The Committee authorized Col. J. E. West, Chairman of the Home Mission Committee to sell for the Conference the lot on which the Sarem Christian Church was built. The Committee gave the Sarem Church building and the furniture to the Little Creek Church, which had been recently organized, and by vote of the Executive Committee in session at above date the Little Creek Congregational-Christian Church, near Little Creek, Va., was received in the Eastern Virginia Conference. The Committee petitioned the Circuit Court of Princess Anne County, Va., to appoint E. E. Holland, Jesse E. Harrell, J. P. Lee, and A. T. Holland, trustees of the Eastern Virginia Conference to hold legal title to the lot of land near Little Creek, Va., on which it is desired to erect a church building. The Committee authorized the signing of a note for \$300.00 as a payment on the lot for the Little Creek Church.

The Committee authorized a grant of \$165.00 to the Gates County Pastorate, providing some pastor accepted the work in the pastorate.

Your Executive Committee met a second time at the Suffolk Christian Church, on February 19, 1939, with Revs. J. F. Morgan, I. W. Johnson, R. L. House, and John G. Truitt present. The Committee received a report from a call meeting of the Educational Committee requesting a loan of \$200.00 to A. L. Granger, Jr., the request was granted with the proviso that note and security be provided by the borrower.

Your Committee recommends the printed program as the program for this session of Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. MORGAN,
J. E. WEST,
R. L. HOUSE,
I. W. JOHNSON,
W. H. BAKER,

Committee.

The President appointed the follow Special Committes:

Nominations—Rev. R. L. House, Rev. H. E. Crutchfield, Rev. W. H. Garman.

Press—Rev. John H. Knight, Rev. F. C. Lester, Rev. Arnold Slater.

Resolutions—Rev. R. E. Brittle, Rev. B. H. Watkins, E. L. Daughtrey, Rev. A. L. Granger, Jr.

Finance—Rev. T. F. Wright, I. T. Byrd, Rev. Aubrey C. Todd, W. H. Baker.

It was moved and carried that President J. F. Morgan be made the chairman of the ordaining presbtery, because Dr. L. E. Smith, who had previously been appointed to the chairmanship could not be present.

The President's address followed: "The Business of the Church."

The report of the Committee on Christian Education was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

In compliance with the action of the Southern Convention in combining the Board of Religious Education and the Board of Education into the one Board of Christian Education, this report includes the items of interest formerly delegated to the Conference Committees on Education and Christian Education. We favor this action on the part of the Convention and believe it would be well for the Conference to follow the plan since it eliminates the duplication of interest and effort in the same field of church work.

We believe the new plan which helped make possible the office of the Promotional Secretary will, as the program of work advances, justify the wisdom of the Convention. Many adjustments will have to be made and we urge the cooperation of pastors and churches of this Conference in the new arrangement.

Your Committee heartily approves the idea of "The National Program of Progress" for our entire fellowship. In a democratic organization such as our Congregational-Christian Fellowship our independence may be boosted and advocated to the detriment of the common interest and welfare of the work of the church. We need a program of Christian Education which provides for common objectives in evangelism, Christian nurture, missions, social action, and stewardship. This the Program of Progress provides in a way that is not stereotyped but is practical for any church. One fault of our local church is its lack of a definite program of work which will challenge the membership with a task worthy of achievement. "The Christian Church is entrusted with the most important work in the world. No accidental success will suffice. It must be about the Father's business, and it must follow a strategy of intelligent action. A clear view of the far distant peaks we intend to climb, information regarding the road by which we intend to climb, and knowledge of where to plant our feet for the first five or ten steps" is the need of our church. Twenty-nine churches report that the Program of Progress is being followed in part. In addition to the work of the church and Sunday school there are other agencies in our conference serving the cause of Christian Education.

According to reports presented to the Richmond Conference, October, 20, there are thirty-one Women's Missionary Societies, twenty-one Young People's Societies, eighteen Junior Societies, and seventeen Cradle Rolls, with a total membership of 2,271. The work of these societies goes far beyond any measure of dollars for the mission treasury.

The Pilgrim Fellowship has not come into its place of usefulness and activity in this Conference mainly for two reasons: First—a misunderstanding of the purpose of Pilgrim Fellowship on the part of ministers and adults which results in a lack of cooperation; and second—the changes that have taken place in the organization of Young People's work in recent years. This is a most promising work in our Conference that will in time come into a position of influence in the field of Christian Education, therefore, we should give the movement our cooperation and wisest counsel.

We regret to report that Conference Leadership Training Schools have not been provided during the past year. However several local training schools were conducted and nineteen of our churches were represented by sixty people at the Elon School. Reports from pastors indicate that one hundred and twenty-six people were in training schools during the past Conference year, one hundred and twenty credit cards were issued to these workers, and that twenty-one churches had one or more pupils in Leadership Training Schools.

Pastors report thirteen Vacation Church Schools, with a total enrollment of six hundred and fifty-five children.

Statements made by those who attended the Sunday School Convention at Rosemont, July 18, indicate that it was helpful in getting some constructive work started in the Sunday schools. It is to be hoped that many workers will put into effect some of the ideas presented at the Convention. The Sunday schools were

represented by one hundred and nineteen delegates from thirty-three churches. According to latest figures there are 6,673 pupils in the Sunday schools of the Conference.

It is the conviction of your Committee that Elon College is facing a crises now, the outcome of which is not only of great importance to the college at present but perhaps will determine the destiny of the college and the future of the church in our Southern Convention. This crises is a test of our church—a test of appreciation, loyalty, generosity, and faith. If the church fails here it will be the failure of our program of Christian Education. Our Program of Progress is impossible without a trained leadership. Elon College has laid the foundation for what our church is in the South, and the efficiency and progress of Elon College will determine the efficiency and progress of our church in the South in the years to come. The college has been the church's arm of education in the ranks of her constituency. A large majority of the ministers in the Southern Convention have been trained at Elon College.

On September 14, 1939, Elon College began the celebration of its fiftieth anniversary with the inauguration and observance of Founders Day. Other periods of the celebration will be observed February 11, 12, and 13, 1940, when the theme will be "The Contribution of the Church-Related College to the Cause of Higher Education." The final period of the celebration will be May 26-29, 1940, the fiftieth anniversary of the first commencement of the college.

The churches of the Conference should recognize their obligation to raise the amount asked for the college. The college depends upon this income for its operation, and it is needed. One of the immediate goals of the college is the payment of its debt of \$134,000, which is less than at any time since the fire and some time preceeding the fire. We have a good chance to get rid of this debt and we should do it. The church, Sunday schools, organizations, and individuals, should contribute to the extent of their ability that the campaign to clear the college of its debt may reach its goal. Elon College has made unusual progress and is in excellent condition in every respect and we should show our faith and loyalty by our support.

Your Committee recommends:

1. That our churches and Sunday schools make use of the Program of Progress in the planning of their program of work for the year.
2. That means be devised by which the smaller churches of our Conference are reached by the program of training in Christian Education work.
3. That the churches of Eastern Virginia sponsor an Elon College Day for the purpose of informing our constituency about the college; the date for same to be selected by the Conference Executive Committee and the College Administration.

JOE A. FRENCH,
W. H. BAKER,
L. E. SMITH,
H. S. HARDCASTLE,

Committee.

It was moved and carried to adjourn after the Communion Service for lunch. Communion Service was conducted by the Rev. I. W. Johnson, D. D., assisted by the Rev. John G. Truitt, D. D., and eight deacons, selected from among delegates present.

Benediction by Rev. I. W. Johnson, D. D.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 2:00 o'clock by the Rev. J. F. Morgan, President.

Song Service led Rev. Jesse H. Dollar. Prayer by Rev. B. H. Watkins.

The Treasurer's report was read, and on motion, was referred to the Committee on Finance. The report follows:

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

1938-1939.

1938		CONVENTION FUND.	
Nov.	2	Balance as per last report	\$.59
	7	By Conference Collections	1,591.14
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			\$1,591.14
Dec.	5	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 8	1,591.00
1939			<hr/>
Nov.	2	Balance as per Bank	\$.73
1938		CONFERENCE FUND.	
Nov.	2	Balance as per last report	\$ 4.46
	7	By Conference Collections	404.00
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			\$ 408.46
Dec.	2	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 16	\$ 57.49
	9	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 17	4.00
	10	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 15	3.50
	12	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 18	3.50
1939			
Jan.	20	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 25	5.00
Mar.	18	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 27	243.75
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			317.24
Nov.	2	Balance as per Bank	\$ 91.22
1938		CONFERENCE MISSION FUND.	
Nov.	2	Balance as per last report	\$ 80.64
	7	By Conference Collections	1,203.50
Feb.	4	By check for Sarem Church lot, N. C.	50.00
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			\$1,334.14
Dec.	3	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 21	\$300.00
	5	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 7	619.00
	8	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 22	100.00
	15	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 23	100.00
1939			
Jan.	18	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 24	82.50
May	18	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 29	82.50
	31	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 28	50.00
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			1,334.00
Nov.	2	Balance as per Bank	\$.14
1938		CONVENTION MISSION FUND.	
Nov.	2	Balance as per last report	\$.87
	7	By Conference Collections	450.47
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			\$ 451.34
Dec.	5	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 9	450.00
1939			<hr/>
Nov.	2	Balance as per Bank	\$ 1.34

1938		FOREIGN MISSION FUND.	
Nov.	2	Balance as per last report	\$.12
	7	By Conference Collections	389.99
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Dec.	5	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 10	\$ 390.11
1939			390.00
Nov.	2	Balance as per Bank	\$.11
1938		CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FUND.	
Nov.	2	Balance as per last report	\$.63
	7	By Conference Collections	200.00
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Dec.	5	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 13	\$ 200.63
1939			200.00
Nov.	2	Balance as per Bank	\$.63
1938		SUPERANNUATED FUND.	
Nov.	2	Balance as per last report	\$.00
	7	By Conference Collections	207.38
Dec.	5	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 12	207.00
1939			<hr/>
Nov.	2	Balance as per Bank	\$.38
1938		ELON COLLEGE FUND.	
Nov.	2	Balance as per last report	\$.14
	7	By Conference Collections	1,754.54
	10	By check, First Christian Church, Portsmouth, Va.	4.41
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Dec.	5	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 11	\$1,759.09
1939			1,759.00
Nov.	2	Balance as per Bank	\$.09
1938		SPECIAL ACCOUNT.	
Nov.	2	Balance as per Bank	\$1,125.00
1939			
Apr.	1	By check of Suffolk Christian Church on Conference Assessments	375.00
Aug.	30	By check of Old Zion, Norfolk	7.50
Sept.	30	By check of Old Zion, Norfolk	12.50
Oct.	16	By chck of Suffolk Christian Church on Conference Assessments	375.00
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			\$1,895.00
1938			
Nov.	7	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 18	\$1,125.00
1939			
Sept.	5	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 30	7.50
Oct.	18	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 31	12.50
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			1,145.00
Nov.	2	Balance as per Bank	\$ 750.00
1938		ORPHANAGE FUND.	
Nov.	2	Balance as per last report	\$.67
	7	By Conference Collections	123.38
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Dec.	5	Paid Secretary's Draft No. 14	\$ 124.05
1939			123.00
Nov.	2	Balance as per Bank	\$ 1.05

1938

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

Nov. 2 Balance as per last report: Active Account\$3,454.46
Savings Account ... 687.13

\$4,141.59

Nov. 2 Chas. Wesley Rountree's check mention in last report ... 25.00
21 Check on Elm Avenue Parsonage mortgage 100.00

1939

Jan. 7 By check, J. Howard Smith, on loan 5.00
Mar. 7 By check, J. Howard Smith, on loan 5.00
May 16 By check, J. Howard Smith, on loan 5.00
July 31 By check, J. Howard Smith, on loan 5.00
Sept. 9 By check, J. Howard Smith, on loan 10.00
Oct. 14 By check, J. Howard Smith, on loan 5.00
24 By check, Rev. S. W. Phillips on Elm Avenue loan 100.00

1938

\$4,401.59

Nov. 10 Paid Secretary's Draft No. 5\$ 205.00
12 Paid Secretary's Draft No. 5 525.00
12 Paid Secretary's Draft No. 2 1,820.00
12 Paid Secretary's Draft No. 1 200.00
12 Paid Secretary's Draft No. 4 170.00
15 Paid Secretary's Draft No. 6 780.00
Dec. 5 Paid Secretary's Draft No. 20 150.00
8 Paid Secretary's Draft No. 19 200.00
Mar. 27 Paid Secretary's Draft No. 26 200.00

4,250.00

1939

Nov. 2 Balance as per bank \$ 151.59

SCHEDULE OF BONDS AND BILLS RECEIVABLE.

Charles Wesley Rountree's agreement \$ 150.00
T. Fred Wright's note 475.00
J. Howard Smith's 2 notes of \$200.00 each less \$20.00 paid
last year and \$20.00 paid on principal this year 360.00
A. L. Granger's 2 notes of \$150.00 each, 3 notes of \$200.00 each 900.00
Aubrey C. Todd's 2 notes of \$150.00 each, 2 notes of \$100.00 each .. 500.00
Emanuel Hedgepeth's 2 notes of \$150.00 each, 1 note of \$200.00 500.00
Herbert Council's 2 notes of \$100.00 each, 1 note of \$200.00 400.00
Ellis Clarke, 1 note 150.00
Home Mission Board's note secured by deed of trust on
Elm Avenue Parsonage 1,410.00
Note of Trustees of South Norfolk Christian Church..... 3,500.00

RECAPITULATION.

\$8,345.00

	Balance	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance
Convention Fund	\$.59	\$1,591.14	\$ 1,591.00	\$.73
Conference Fund	4.46	404.00	317.24	91.22
Home Mission Fund	80.64	1,253.50	1,334.00	.14
Convention Mission Fund ..	.87	450.47	450.00	1.34
Foreign Mission Fund .....	.12	389.99	390.00	.11
Christian Education Fund ..	.63	200.00	200.00	.63
Superannuated Fund		207.38	207.00	.38
Elon College Fund .....	.14	1,758.95	1,759.00	.09
Special Account	1,125.00	770.00	1,145.00	750.00
Orphanage Fund .....	.67	123.38	123.00	1.05
Educational Fund	4,141.59	260.00	4,250.00	151.59
Totals	\$5,354.71	\$7,408.81	\$11,766.24	\$ 997.28

PROOF.

Balances as per last report	\$ 5,354.71
Total Receipts for year	7,408.81

	\$12,763.52
Total Disbursements	11,766.24

Balance on hand in Bank	\$ 997.28
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The Bank Statements and Vouchers are with this report, and the above listed securities are kept in the vault of the Farmers Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Va., subject to the order of the Conference. The bond of the Treasurer is still in force.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. E. MACCLENNY,
Treasurer.

At the request of Mr. W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, I beg to certify that he has on deposit in the Farmers Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Va., the balances as shown by the statements of the Bank, and as shown by his statements.

Signed in triplicate this the 31st of October, 1939.

S. G. HOWELL,
Assistant Cashier.

NOTE—In last year's report all of the payments by Rev. J. Howard Smith were reported as payments on interest. When Dr. I. W. Johnson, the former Secretary of the Conference recovered he informed the Treasurer that according to the agreement with Rev. J. Howard Smith only five (\$5.00) dollars should have gone to interest, and the remaining twenty (\$20.00) dollars should have been credited to principal, which has been done in this report.

The report of the historian was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN.

Within the past year very little has happened historically in this Conference. In the early part of the Conference year your historian located a copy of *Rev. Nicholas Snethen's Reply to Rev. James O'Kelly's Apology*, in the rare book room of the Library of Congress, and had this copied by a young Jewish student and copy is now in the library at Elon College, N. C., for future reference.

For some time there has been talk of securing a marker for the grave of Rev. Mills B. Barrett, who was prominent in this Conference for years, and with the cooperation of Rev. B. H. Watkins, the monument has been ordered, and should be ready for delivery in a short time. This will be furnished by the Quartermaster's Department of the United States Army as Rev. Mills B. Barrett was a soldier in the Confederate Army, and some say that he was advanced to Chaplain, but this is not shown by the records which are far from complete. At a suitable time it is planned to have a service at the cemetery, after this has been placed.

Old Barrett's Church in Southampton County is still working on their memorial, and at a service held past summer there was much interest shown in the matter. At this meeting a very interesting paper was read by Mrs. Anne Hancock Joyner from the original minutes of the church, and it was later published in *The Christian Sun*. This threw much light on the happenings and

Although we have scoured this country we have never been able to locate a methods of other days.
copy of Rev. Mills Barrett's Hymn Book, which was published in the early part of the last century.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. E. MACCLENNY,
Historian.

The report of the Committee on Memoirs was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Your Committee regrets to have to chronicle the death of Rev. William Daniel Harward, which occurred at his home in Dendron, Va., on the morning of October 2, 1939. He was the son of George W. and Margaret Moring Harward, and was born near Durham, N. C., on December 7, 1870. His youth was spent on a farm in the vicinity of O'Kelly's Chapel. He attended the old field schools of the day, and entered Elon College, N. C., in the early days of that institution, graduating in 1896, and he spent the next year at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. C., receiving a degree. He became a member of the Biblical class and was licensed to preach at the conference at Shallow Well, Moore County, N. C., in the fall of 1893, by Dr. William S. Long, President of Elon College. He was ordained at Liberty, Vance County, N. C., in the fall of 1895. Before this date he had several churches in North Carolina and after ordination he worked in the North Carolina Conferences until November, 1901, when he came to the Eastern Virginia Conference, and remained until 1909, when he accepted work at Madrid, Iowa. There he remained until 1911, when he returned to Virginia and accepted work in Newport News, Va., and he remained in this conference until the time of his death. He served the following churches in this Conference: Antioch, Bethlehem, Burton's Grove, Isle of Wight Court House, Mt. Carmel, Centerville, Emporia (Mission), Petersburg (Mission), Dendron, Union (Surry), New Lebanon, Lambert's Point, Rosemont, Wakefield, Windsor, and Elm Avenue in Portsmouth.

He was secretary of the conference from 1905 to 1908, and was its president 1923, 1924, and 1925, and was always on important committees of the conference.

He was a young man of piety while in college as all who knew him could vouch for, and was held in high esteem by his fellow students, and this quality followed him through life, as he was a man of much spirituality and fine personality. He was highly regarded by the people whom he served in this section, a man of influence for good.

He was stricken with paralysis while preaching at Antioch on the first Sunday in January, 1927, and never fully recovered, but preached at times for some years until ill health forced him to stop. He was known far and wide for his deep consecration, and his life spoke for itself.

He was married to Miss Mollie Barrett of Isle of Wight County, Va., on November 11, 1899, who proved to be a faithful helpmate through the years in every way. He had one son, W. Eugene Harward of Washington, D. C., and two grandchildren.

He was laid to rest in Antioch cemetery near Windsor, Va.

The following resolutions are offered:

1. That the Conference stand in silence for a moment in appreciation of his work in this body, and that the President designate someone to lead in a short prayer of thanksgiving for his life.

2. That a copy of this be sent by the Secretary to his widow.

It is also with regret that we have to chronicle the death of Deacon Abram Thomas Holland at Suffolk, Va., on February 10, 1939, in his 79th year. He was a trustee of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference for years and a trustee of Elon College for a long season. In his local church he was a chairman of the Board of Deacons, a Trustee of his church, and was always an ardent supporter of every enterprise of the church and denomination. Being a successful business man, he put the same talents to use in his church, and he will be greatly missed.

It is with sorrow that we record the passing of Deacon Mark W. Hollowell of Berea (Norfolk), who had been a member of this body in one capacity or another for nearly half a century. He was one of the loyal members of the Christian Church and was deeply interested in every phase of the denomination's work.

W. E. MACCLENNY,
Committee.

The Rev. C. Rexford Raymond, D. D., led the Conference in prayer as it stood in memory of those who had been called from earth to take the realm beyond.

The report of the Committee on Education was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

By the action of the last session of the Southern Convention the Committee on Christian Education is charged with the responsibility of promoting the interests of our educational institutions. However, we desire to re-affirm our appeal for continued support of Elon College.

We earnestly urge pastors and leaders of young people to present the claims of the ministry and emphasize the importance of having strong, intelligent, consecrated young men consider this field of work.

BIBLICAL CLASS.

Ellis Clarke and Henry Butler Wise are continuing their studies at Elon College. Johnson Griffin, a member of Oakland Christian Church, has entered the Freshman class at Elon College, and wishes to be enrolled as a member of the Biblical class. We recommend that he be enrolled.

LICENTIATES.

The following are on the roll as Licentiates: Revs. D. D. Nash, A. L. Granger, Jr., Aubrey C. Todd, L. E. Huber and Emmanuel Hedgebeth. Revs. A. L. Granger, Jr., and Aubrey C. Todd have completed their courses in the Seminary, are engaged in pastoral work, and have completed a satisfactory examination for ordination. Rev. Emmanuel Hedgebeth has entered Yale.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We recommend that Rev. Emmanuel Hedgebeth be granted a loan of \$100.00 for expenses at Yale Divinity School.

We recommend that Henry Butler Wise and Johnson Griffin be granted a credit of \$90.00 each, from the Ministerial Trust Fund, for room and board.

We recommend that Revs. A. L. Granger, Jr., and Aubrey C. Todd be ordained as Elders during this session of Conference.

We recommend that Revs. J. E. McCauley and Aubrey C. Todd be granted letters of transfer to the Eastern North Carolina Conference, and Rev. Herbert G. Council, Jr., to the Windham Association of Congregational Churches, and Rev. A. Lanson Granger, Jr., to the Western North Carolina Conference.

Rev. Sam N. Hurst, a member of Berea (Nansemond) Christian Church, who was ordained an Elder of the Baptist Church in 1909, and whose certificate of Ordination is herewith presented, and Rev. Kenneth Cornwell of Allentown, Pa., who was ordained in 1933 as an Elder in the Methodist Episcopal Church, whose Certificate of Ordination and letter of commendation from the Bishop are herewith presented, make application for admission to this Conference, as Elders. Their educational qualifications meet the requirements of the Conference. We recommend that they be enrolled as Elders, and the Ordaining Presbytery be authorized to sign and deliver to them Certificates of Ordination as of this date.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

The following statement shows the assets of this department on October 24, 1939:

Cash in Farmers Bank of Nansemond	\$ 151.59
Elon Ministerial Trust Fund—par value	3,000.00

Notes—

C. W. Rountree, balance on agreement	150.00
T. Fred Wright, balance	475.00
J. Howard Smith, balance	360.00
A. L. Granger, Jr.	900.00
Aubrey C. Todd	500.00

Emmanuel Hedgebeth	500.00
Herbert G. Council, Jr.	400.00
Ellis Clarke	150.00
Elm Avenue Parsonage	1,410.00
South Norfolk Church	3,500.00

Total \$11,496.59

Respectfully submitted,

I. W. JOHNSON,
H. S. HARDCASTLE,
N. G. NEWMAN,
J. E. McCAULEY,
L. E. SMITH,

Committee.

Address—"The Call of the Ministry"—by Rev. John G. Truitt, D. D.

Address—"The Modern Minister"—by Rev. I. W. Johnson, D. D.

Dr. Johnson introduced the new ministers, the Revs. Sam N. Hurst, and Kenneth Cornwell.

The report of the Committee on Temperance and Moral Reform was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE AND MORAL REFORM.

At a time when war, long threatening our world, has become a terrible reality in a large part of it, and when its coming to other nations including our own, is greatly feared, we meet as delegates of our churches in this session of our Conference. Many of us remember the dreaded days of more than two decades ago when we were engulfed by the hatred and bitterness of international conflict. The days of strife dragged themselves out, and the glad day of official peace came at last. Another generation has been born and brought to maturity. We need to pray that our national leaders may find a way to keep this good land of ours as the beacon of righteousness, and liberty, and peace, in a world of bewilderment.

There is no adequate substitute for holding up Jesus as the one able to solve the individual and social problems of our day. The church long taught temperance, and urged the total abstinence from intoxicants as the obligation of a Christian. Churches are faced today with a huge task in dealing with the evils of intemperance as they crowd upon people of both sexes, and of all ages. We who are followers of Christ need to practice total abstinence. We should teach the evils of intemperance, adapting these teachings to the grasp of the youngest children in our Sunday schools, and carrying these teachings through all the grades. The liquor business hinders the progress of the Kingdom of God in the earth, and the church of Christ must oppose it. The individual Christian has a clear responsibility here, and he must face it in the presence of his God.

In the face of increasing disregard for the ideals of the Christian Sabbath, we reaffirm our allegiance to the Sabbath as Jesus observed it. Commercial and recreational agencies would take over the Sabbath as their very own. The need of the Sabbath as a moral and spiritual aid for every person remains as real today as ever. We sin against God and our fellowman when we profane the day.

The gambling habit spreads over our land. Even churches resort to it to boost declining revenues. The stand of the true Christian ought to be taken resolutely and firmly against this evil.

We deplore the growing resort to the divorce court as a remedy for the ills of family life. The Christian home is a time-honored institution. It was never more needed than today as a place where children have a right to be born, and

to be reared. The maintenance of that home as Christian should be the unfaltering purpose of every married person. The church needs to emphasize the great need of the home as a place where Christian ideals are taught and lived.

We close this report with a plea to all the members of our churches to remember the words of Jesus, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father, who is in heaven." The follower of Jesus, through faith in Him, is the one steadying factor in a day of great confusion and bewilderment. Let us take heed to ourselves. Jesus urges us, "Watch, and pray, that ye enter not in temptation; the spirit, indeed, is willing but the flesh is weak."

ELWOOD W. JONES,
J. H. WARREN,
O. D. POYTHRESS,

Committee.

Address by Rev. C. Rexford Raymond, D. D., speaking to the above report.

The secretary's digests of church reports, and of ministers' reports was made.

The pastor of the host church, Rev. O. D. Poythress, made announcements concerning entertainment of delegates and visitors.

Adjournment and benediction.

WEDNESDAY—EVENING SESSION.

Worship at 7:30 led by the Conference President and the South Norfolk Choir.

There followed an impressive ordination service, when Rev. Aubrey C. Todd, and Rev. A. Lanson Granger, Jr., were ordained as elders. Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, D. D., preached the ordination sermon. The ordaining presbytery was as follows: Rev. J. F. Morgan, president of the Conference, chairman; Dr. I. W. Johnson, and Rev. John G. Truitt, secretary of the Conference; and the following assistants, Rev. O. D. Poythress, Rev. John H. Knight, Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, D. D., Rev. J. F. Morgan was in charge, Rev. I. W. Johnson, D. D., led the prayer of ordination; Rev. John G. Truitt, D. D., gave the charge to the candidates; and Rev. O. D. Poythress presented the Bible.

Conference adjourned the evening session with the benediction by Rev. John H. Knight.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Called to order at 9:30 by the President. Song service led by Rev. Jesse H. Dollar. Scripture and prayer by Rev. S. W. Phillips.

Minutes read, and approved.

Rev. J. H. Warren, pastor of the Little Creek Church, made a speech concerning the newest church in the Conference.

Rev. F. C. Lester, Promotional Secretary, introduced Rev. Samuel H. Leger, missionary from China, who was present to represent the American Board, and to bring addresses later in the program.

Motion by Dr. I. W. Johnson that this Conference memorialize the next session of the Southern Convention to change the name of the Committee on Education to the "Committee on Ministerial Education," and define the respective duties of the Committee, and the Committee on Christian Education.

Report of the Committee on Religious Literature was read by Rev. Robert Lee House, chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Any religion or civilization needs a literature to express its meaning and perpetuate its influence. The pre-literary civilizations are dead, the literary civilizations still live. With the arrival of literature the era of civilization really began. Literature is the means by which we bring the great preachers of yesterday into our homes and churches today. The literary giants of history remain our contemporaries; their utterances are perpetuated for posterity through the pen and printed word.

The Bible is the supreme utterance in the annals of literature. Its infinite range of history, biography, essays, epigrams, letters, poetry, drama, sermons, should be studied both critically and devotionally. Its contents should be ever interpreted by the life and teachings of its central personality; the long expected, suddenly revealed, imperishably remembered Christ. Dr. Henry Van Dyke points out that "Christ left no written word of his own; but he absorbed one literature, the Old Testament; and he inspired another, the New Testament."

Christianity needs not only a Sacred Scripture for its guidance, but also a continuous literature to embody the ever new and indispensable experiences of religion. Cut off this avenue of communication and the program of religion is paralyzed.

Every Christian should read "What Literature Can Do For You" by Alphonso Smith. The chapter titles give the answer: Literature Can Restore the Past, Give Mastery to Your Language, Provide an Outlet for Self-Expression, Keep Before You the Vision of the Ideal, Enable You to Understand Human Nature, and Reveal the Glory of the Commonplace.

A few gentle hints on the matter of reading may be in order. I offer the following Benevolent Beatitudes:

1. Blessed are those who thirst after great literature, for they shall become citizens of a great democracy.

2. Blessed are those who economize on the time given to newspapers and cheap periodicals and spend the balance on worthwhile volumes which offer mental resistance, for theirs is the kingdom of intellectual maturity.

3. Blessed are those who cover wide areas of reading, for theirs is the realm of culture.

4. Blessed are those who assist children to lay a thorough literary foundation, and commit their minds to the reading habit as well as their hearts to Christ, for they shall inherit the kingdom of abiding happiness.

5. Blessed is that home with a room set apart for good books, for it will never lack refreshment.

6. Blessed is that church with an up-to-date library (not a literary antique shop) for theirs is the kingdom of a literate spiritual constituency.

7. Blessed are those who develop a healthy interest in virile literature and the satisfaction of informed happiness, for theirs is the only safe antidote to literary peepshows into the cesspools of crime and immortality.

8. Blessed are those who feast with priest, prophet and poet, for theirs is the kingdom of the soul.

Literature is available and should be utilized in the various branches of our church program. In many churches a far too meagre use is made of missionary

literature. Pilgrim Press Publications in general and the Program of Progress in particular offer definite aid in the educational work of the church. The office of the General Council offers an abundance of literature on evangelism, the devotional life and the church year. These pamphlets are inexpensive and may be used in pastoral work to a great advantage. Their wholesome message serves as a corrective to other tracts theologically perverted and perennially distributed. The Christian home should include such publications as *The Christian Sun*, *Advance*, *Children's Religion*, *Missionary Herald*, *Pilgrim Highroad*, *Social Action*, *Parents' Magazine* and *Etude*. These periodicals make a healthy and permanent impression on children during the formative years. Such subscriptions are an investment in character. We renew and emphasize the recommendation that each church have a Committee on Religious Literature to take seriously its quota of subscriptions to *The Christian Sun*. In such ways as those we emulate the wise scribe, that man whom Christ described, who brought forth from his literary treasure things both old and new.

R. L. HOUSE, *Chairman*.

Address on the report by Rev. Aubrey C. Todd.

Address: "The Christian Sun"—by Rev. F. C. Lester, editor.

The report of the Committee on Superannuation was read by Mr. John T. Kernodle, chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

Your Committee believes that there is gradually being awakened in the minds of ministers and their congregations a realization of the importance of making provision for our superannuates. This is evidenced by the fact that last year twenty-seven of the churches of this Conference made payments to this fund; nineteen of these churches paid their apportionments to superannuation in full, or overpaid them by small amounts. In percentages, superannuation still lags behind the other benevolent apportionments. The orphanage leads with 111 per cent; Christian education just over 100 per cent; missions, including conference, home and foreign, 86 per cent. Superannuation stands at plus 70 per cent, leading Elon College by a small fraction of one per cent.

Your Committee is greatly disappointed that there has not been a greater interest evinced in the "Annuity Fund" during the past year. This applies to the minister himself, but our greatest concern is due to the failure of our churches to inform themselves regarding the possibilities which this fund offers. A ministry that has no fears as to its temporal future can better and more wisely serve the churches of our conference, and a church is wise that insists that its pastor becomes a member of the "Annuity Fund" and makes possible his joining by such financial assistance as is necessary.

The average salary of the active ministers of the Conference is \$1,525.00. The initial cost of joining the "Annuity Fund" for the average minister amounts to \$91.50. This is quite a large sum for one person to pay, but we suggest that the local church, or group of churches raise half of the necessary amount (3 per cent of the pastor's salary) and present him with this sum as a Christmas gift. The minister can then pay the remainder in ten or twelve equal installments, during the next year. During the second and succeeding years, the cost to the minister, under present conditions, is nominal.

Your Committee has literature for both minister and church explaining the workings of the fund, and it, or its successors, will be glad to assist you in every way possible.

We know that there are some, both in this Conference, and throughout the Convention, who because of age cannot accumulate sufficient funds to provide an adequate annuity. For this reason we strongly urge that the churches continue their payments on the regular superannuation fund, and strongly recommend the taking of a special offering after communion services, as asked by the Convention.

We, therefore, offer the following recommendations:

1. That between conference and the first of the year, each church in the Conference whose minister is eligible to the "Annuity Fund," do its utmost to see that its minister becomes a member, and the the church makek an attempt to pay at least half of the first year's dues.
2. That the minister, himself, become interested in this "Annuity Fund," the benefits of which he cannot afford longer to ignore.
3. That we continue to strive toward a 100 per cent collection of our Conference apportionment for superannuation, knowing, as we do, that there will continue to be, until all of our ministers are members of the "Annuity Fund," a great need for this relief.
4. As a means of raising these funds, that each church stress the after communion collection and the Christmas offering, or whatever method the local church may choose.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. KERNODLE,
A. M. JOHNSON,

Committee.

Discussion of the report was led by Mr. Kernodle.

Song: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"—led by Rev. Jesse H. Dollar, accompanied by Mrs. I. W. Johnson at the piano.

Report of Committee on Home Missions adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

The status of Christianity and the persecution of men, women and children in many foreign nations are a challenge to the church in America to save the church and nation by a greater unity of all Christian forces. For such a purpose we believe that the Christian and Congregational Churches would cooperate fully in a nation-wide interdenominational conference. Such a conference should emphasize the unity of the church, not its divisions, as they unite in fellowship, counsel and prayer to solve the problems of the church in America.

If America is to lead in saving the world, a strong home base is essential and the Home Missions work of the church must be developed to its fullest possibilities. While offerings to the Mission Board, Conference Home Missions, and the Christian Missionary Association, show little increase, progress is being made by reducing the number of pastorless churches, a larger number of missionary offerings from churches, societies and Sunday schools.

The results achieved by the Woman's Board and its various auxiliaries have exceeded the dream of its founders in offerings, missionary education and the development of the devotional and spiritual life of its members.

We recommend that all officers and ministers of the Conference and Southern Convention, working in the Conference, continue to assist the women in organizing these societies in the local churches until all churches have such organizations or until the Southern Convention adopts a different plan.

In cooperation with the Executive Committee of the Conference and the Christian Missionary Association, Sarem Church and furniture were moved to Little Creek, Princess Anne County, where a new church was organized and the church lot was sold for \$50.00, which amount was paid to the Conference Treasurer and appropriated to Little Creek Church by the Executive Committee of the Conference on recommendation of this Committee.

As the appropriations of the Christian Missionary Association are vital to the Home Missions work of the Conference, we recommend that every church secure one or more members in the Association.

We recommend the appropriation of \$500.00 to South Norfolk Church to be credited on its note to the Educational Fund of the Conference; \$275.00 to

Wakefield pastorate on pastor's salary; \$300.00 to Dendron pastorate on pastor's salary, to be pro rated if pastor is not employed by February 1, 1940; and \$100.00 to Richmond Church on pastor's salary, the preceding appropriations having priority over same.

J. E. WEST,
H. E. CRUTCHFIELD,
E. L. BEALE,
T. FRED WRIGHT,
Committee.

Col. J. E. West led the discussion on above report, and introduced Rev. Arnold Slater, and Rev. H. E. Crutchfield, both of whom made addresses to the above report.

Rev. A Lanson Granger, Jr., reported the progress of the new church being built in the Western North Carolina Conference, at Asheboro, N. C.

Dr. I. W. Johnson spoke to the report on Home Missions.

The report of the Committee on Apportionments was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We, your Committee on Apportionments, submit the accompanying table of apportionments for the year 1939-40. Changes, it will be noticed, have been made in the apportionments of the following churches, with the totals herewith given: Antioch, \$150.00; Bethlehem, \$350.00; Eure, \$295.00; First, Norfolk, \$412.00; Holy Neck, \$300.00; Little Creek, \$20.00; Hopewell, \$28.00; Mt. Carmel, \$327.00; Ocean View, \$96.00; and Old Zion, \$345.00. We beg of the churches that they make every effort to raise this apportionment in full this coming year, as this is absolutely essential to the carrying on of the work of the Conference and of the Southern Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN G. TRUITT,
J. W. MANNING,
J. T. KERNODLE,
Committee.

Discussion on the Apportionment Committee's report was led by Mr. John T. Kernodle.

The report of the Christian Missionary Association was read by Rev. Jesse H. Dollar, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE EASTERN VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

For forty-eight years the Christian Missionary Association has moved throughout the bounds of the Conference, seeking to aid in the building of the Kingdom by establishing new churches and in aiding those which, by misfortune or expansion, found themselves under too heavy financial responsibilities.

Starting from a small beginning, with a total of \$155.00 contributed during the year 1892, when the Association functioned as a Convention enterprise, the amounts have varied according to economic conditions, and perhaps according to the faith and vision of the churches.

In 1909 the mission interests of the C. M. A. were channeled into the Eastern Virginia Conference and the organization has functioned since then as a Conference agent. The peak of giving was reached in 1921, when \$2,195.00 was given through the C. M. A. to the cause of Missions in the Conference. Following this peak, contributions declined sharply, and in 1932 only \$820.00

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SCHEDULE OF APPORTIONMENTS FOR 1939-1940.

	Conference Missions	Conference Fund	Convention Fund	Convention Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Elon College Fund	Superannuation Fund	Christian Education	Orphanage	Totals
Antioch	\$ 10	\$ 5	\$ 35	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 50	\$ 10	\$ 5	\$ 5	150
Berea (Nans.) ...	25	6	25	25	25	50	6	5	100	267
Berea (Norfolk) .	30	5	35	35	35	85	15	5	30	275
Bethlehem (Dispt)	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	45
Bethlehem	30	15	50	25	25	100	30	10	65	350
Burton's Grove ..	5	2	8	4	4	10	2	2	5	42
Centerville	3	4	4	4	2	7	1	1	4	30
Christian Temple .	100	35	225	225	225	550	125	40	175	1,700
Cypress Chapel ..	35	10	40	40	40	100	20	10	100	395
Damascus	15	6	30	20	10	50	5	5	25	166
Dendron	2	3	4	3	3	12	2	1	20	50
Eure	20	10	45	25	25	90	10	10	60	295
Elm Avenue	15	5	20	20	20	50	10	5	25	170
First, Norfolk ...	35	12	50	40	40	125	25	10	75	412
First, Portsmouth	40	12	50	50	50	150	30	10	100	492
First, Richmond .	35	10	45	40	40	100	20	10	100	400
Franklin	73	18	85	85	85	192	35	15	125	713
Holland	74	25	85	85	85	191	35	15	225	820
Holy Neck	5	10	35	25	25	80	15	10	75	300
Hopewell	2	2	2	5	2	2	2	1	10	28
Isle of Wight	10	6	12	10	10	25	5	2	25	105
Ivor	2	3	5	2	2	7	2	1	6	30
Johnson's Grove .	3	1	3	3	3	5	1	1	10	30
Liberty Spring ...	40	12	50	50	50	100	30	10	100	442
Little Creek	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	10	20
Mt. Carmel	30	7	40	30	30	95	15	5	75	327
Mt. Zion	10	3	10	10	10	25	5	2	10	85
Newport News ...	80	18	85	85	85	185	35	15	100	688
New Lebanon ...	10	6	13	12	12	30	10	3	15	111
Ocean View	5	6	12	10	10	25	5	3	20	96
Old Zion	25	10	50	25	25	100	25	10	75	345
Oak Grove	10	5	12	13	12	30	10	3	20	115
Oakland	35	7	40	40	40	75	20	10	100	367
Rosemont	60	15	90	70	70	175	25	5	250	760
Shelton (Ports.) .	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	45
Suffolk	300	35	400	340	340	795	165	82	600	3,057
South Norfolk ...	60	12	70	70	70	170	30	5	125	612
Spring Hill	7	5	13	10	10	25	5	3	20	98
Union (Surry) ..	5	3	5	5	5	15	5	2	15	60
Union (South) ..	15	5	20	20	20	50	10	5	10	155
Waverly	25	12	65	40	40	80	20	10	35	327
Wakefield	7	2	10	10	10	27	5	3	25	99
Windsor	30	6	35	35	35	85	15	5	100	346
Total	\$1334	\$ 385	\$1924	\$1674	\$1656	\$4159	\$ 852	\$ 366	\$2980	\$ 15,310

was received. There has been some increase from the low figures, and last year we collected and gave out to Conference missions \$1,034.00. The total amount raised by the C. M. A. from the beginning of its work is \$39,574.00.

The Membership Committee, which did some fine work last year, and which worked out an exchange of pastors in the hope of increasing interest and securing new memberships, is planning this year to send out a group of capable laymen to speak in our churches in the interest of the C. M. A. with the hope that our memberships may be increased and that we shall be able to give aid to needy churches and continue prospecting and establishing new churches wherever the need for such may develop—and that need already exists in several points in the Conference.

The C. M. A. will meet this year with the church at Waverly, since the Elm Avenue Church found it necessary to withdraw their invitation to meet with them. The sessions will be held on December 5, beginning at 10:00 A. M.

It is our hope that each pastor will appoint a C. M. A. membership committee in each church in the Conference to secure memberships and to help in increasing the usefulness of the association to the interest of the Kingdom within the bounds of our field of service.

We have helped to establish a new church at Little Creek during this year. Already more calls for help have been received than we have money in sight to give, and some churches will have to turn elsewhere for help to carry on.

We appeal to the pastors to support the interests of the Christian Missionary Association with the faith that when the pastors put the matter before the people we can expect them to cooperate and give of their means to help build and develop strong and useful churches.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE H. DOLLAR, *President*.

Rev. F. C. Lester made an appeal for *The Christian Sun*, urging that churches and pastors recognize the apportionment as to subscribers to *The Christian Sun*, and secure the same.

Rev. G. A. Pearce was granted the privilege of the floor for words of greeting to the Conference.

Motion was made and carried that Rev. F. Morgan and Rev. B. H. Watkins be a committee of two to arrange for the unveiling of a marker to the late Rev. Mills Barrett, near Ivor, Va., November 26, 2:30 P. M.

Rev. J. H. Warren spoke concerning the apportionment of the Little Creek Church.

Rev. O. D. Poythress, host pastor, made remarks concerning the Conference.

A quartette composed of Revs. O. D. Poythress, T. Fred Wright, Elwood W. Jones, and Jesse H. Dollar, accompanied by Mrs. I. W. Johnson, sang.

Adjournment for lunch.

Benediction by Rev. John H. Knight.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order at 2:00 P. M., by President Morgan. Song Service by Rev. Jesse H. Dollar, accompanied by Mrs. I. W. Johnson. Prayer by Rev. J. H. Warren.

The report of Committee on Foreign Missions was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The demand for Foreign Missions constantly increases. The great World Conference at Madras, India, showed by its study and information that Missions is the business of the whole church, at home and abroad. Churches throughout the world are being called upon to redouble their efforts right now to increase the number of their missionaries, and the amounts of their missionary moneys. The church finds itself all over the world fighting for its position, and it has learned that the more it gives to Missions the stronger it is both at home and in the foreign field. Giving is growing, and growing is giving. We must take cognizance of the growing need for missionaries, and missionary work, and do our part here in the Eastern Virginia Conference to furnish our part of the funds, and also our part of the missionaries. It has been a good while since we have had a missionary go from the bounds of our Conference.

Missions are studied in all our churches, in most all of them through the missionary societies sponsored by the Woman's Conference; and by the messages of our missionary-minded ministers in their regular messages; and through our study in our Sunday schools. If we could put all the work and study of Missions together it would amount to a great deal. It must increase. Our ministers must be more and more alert to give emphasis to the call of Missions. God blesses the missionary church. He has promised His blessings to those who carry out His command to "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Our mission moneys are raised in this Conference in several ways. Through our regular offerings Sunday after Sunday in our churches as a part of our giving goes to missions through our Conference apportionment. Once each month in our Sunday schools an offering is given to missions. And the Woman's Conference fosters societies of all ages in our local churches, and does a remarkably fine piece of work for missions through their study courses, and their offerings. Then, too, from time to time there are those who for some special reason desire to make a special gift for missions. Our young people as well as our women are to be commended on their enthusiastic response to the call to Mission study, giving, and interest, and the work of their organizations, conferences, and convention should be strengthened in every way.

We recommend a more thorough study by our ministers, our laymen, our women, and young people, of the mission literature and reports, both from the recent Madras Conference, and from our own American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, as well as the study courses for this year on World-Wide Missions.

We recommend closest cooperation of all individuals, societies, churches, boards, and conferences in the matter of our whole missionary study, planning, and giving in order that we may best do the work our Lord Christ would have us do in a time like this.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. JOHN G. TRUITT,
MRS. R. T. BRADFORD,
MRS. J. MONROE HARRIS,
REV. F. C. LESTER,

Committee.

Pending the above report on Foreign Missions, Rev. Samuel H. Leger, missionary from China, made an address.

The report of the Woman's Board was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD.

The Woman's Conference of Eastern Virginia met in Richmond on Friday, October 20, at the First Christian Church. Some doubt had been felt as to the attendance because the place seemed far away from the center of our work. But

when the church was filled it was evident that several hundred women had realized that they could take a day off and drive one hundred miles to be about their Father's business.

The program as arranged was carried out. Every person who had been invited to participate was present except Dr. Atkinson, our Mission Secretary, whom we did not expect, but he was ably represented by his daughter who read his message which was an inspiration to every person there.

Dr. A. H. Miller of the Southern Presbyterian Church, who for some years has been a missionary in Belgian Congo in Africa, was the visiting speaker. He gave us a most earnest account of some of the phases of his work. We were deeply impressed with his message and that in the twenty-seven years of our work we have never before had a message from the heart of Africa brought first hand by a messenger whose desire in life is to serve his Master among those whose lot seems to have been cast in such an uninviting portion of this great earth.

One of the bright spots in the reports came from the District Superintendents. During my twenty years of active participation in the Conference program I think I have never heard more interesting reports than were given by them. I am convinced that these districts are actively at work, each interested in promoting the goals set forth in the Conference program. Each district has just cause to be proud of their Superintendent and each Superintendent is deeply interested in every church and its organizations within her territory.

All Superintendents of special departments were present and demonstrated their interest and activity.

The Treasurer's report showed that \$4,606.35 had been received this year; slightly less than last year and an enrollment of a little less than 2,500 in all departments. We do not feel discouraged that our results financially were not equal to our goals. With a determination to diagnose the situation and locate if possible the cause of our loss we are hopeful of regaining any lost ground.

With a realization that the potential power wrapped in the lives of our women is beyond computation we are hoping to tap the springs of our supplies and release the energy, effort, and abilities of our women, youth and children.

For twenty years as an active worker, I have seen this Conference gradually build for itself a substantial framework for a structure that will be a stand for the labors, sacrifices, and joys of the women who helped to build it. It is destined to grow and spread its roots carrying with them comforts destined to ease the burdens of those less fortunate and to plant seed of faith into worthy breasts.

The Superintendents of all Departments were re-elected for another year with the following officers: President, Mrs. B. D. Jones, Holland, Va.; First Vice-President, Mrs. R. T. Bradford, Driver, Va.; Second Vice-President, Mrs. J. Monroe Harris, Norfolk, Va.; Secretary, Mrs. Herbert Harrell, Driver, Va.; Treasurer, Mrs. Everett R. Bryant, Franklin, Va.

MRS. J. MONROE HARRIS, *President*,
Woman's Missionary Conference.

The report of the Committee on Evangelism was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

Your Committee rejoices in the growing interest in Evangelism shown by our pastors and laymen. The year-round program of Evangelism is on the increase throughout the bounds of this Conference. This does not mean that the annual revival is on the wane. It means that greater impetus is given to the annual revival by the constant attempt on the part of the church to win new converts to Christ, and to build up its church membership. This is the proper procedure for both rural and city churches and should not be neglected by any.

Evangelism is the good news for every soul who hears and responds to the appeal of the Gospel. It is the recruiting work of the church and the Kingdom. This is the first step in the great program of Christ's church. It is the first

step in Christian Education, namely, winning to, building up in, and sending out for Christ. The last two can not be successfully done without a well-planned and well-executed program of the first.

In addition to what is being done, your committee would like to emphasize the importance of a weekly visitation and personal evangelistic campaign, for in this day of commercialized amusements, the interest of people is drawn from the church to more trivial matters. Therefore, there is no substitute for the personal visitation of those who have not yet been reached.

Your Committee believes that it is the duty of every pastor to set the example by leading out in this and then helping to train the lay workers in this all important matter.

Your Committee endorses the steps the Southern Convention is taking through its Committee on Evangelism and the work the General Council is attempting to do through its department. The literature sent out from 287 Fourth Avenue, New York City, and the booklets attempting to prepare new members for church membership are of untold value, both to the prospective member and those who already belong to the church. We recommend the use of these to every church.

During the year we have received 685 members into the various churches of the Conference. This is not as many as we should have received but shows an increased interest in the work of Evangelism and shows what we might do if all our forces are properly mobilized and put into the field of action to evangelize the world for Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. McCauley, *Chairman*,
S. W. PHILLIPS,
O. D. POYTHRESS,
R. E. BRITTLE,
Committee.

The report of the Nominating Committee was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, submit the following report:

President—Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Vice-President—Col. J. E. West.

Secretary—Dr. John G. Truitt.

Assistant Secretary—W. H. Baker.

Treasurer—W. E. MacClenny.

Delegates to Southern Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches—

Ministers: J. F. Morgan, R. E. Brittle, H. S. Hardcastle, E. W. Jones, I. W. Johnson, T. N. Lowe, F. C. Lester, W. H. Garman, N. G. Newman, John G. Truitt, T. F. Wright, J. A. French, O. D. Poythress, T. H. Warren, L. E. Smith, H. E. Crutchfield, M. S. Poulson, B. H. Watkins, George Olejar, J. H. Dollar, G. A. Pearce, Arnold Slater, S. W. Phillips, J. H. Knight.

Laymen: W. H. Baker, J. D. MacClenny, W. Starnes, O. D. King, Chas. Heath, Jr., Miss Edna Fulcher, J. A. Williams, Mrs. Phillip Jones, A. L. Jolly, H. W. Lee, Mrs. J. M. Rabey, Col. J. E. West, E. B. Rawles, T. P. Dalton, E. L. Daughtrey, Mrs. H. P. Harrell, Dr. J. W. Manning, C. D. West, J. D. Kernodle, Julian Rawles, A. L. Hanbury, S. T. Holland, Mrs. Russell T. Bradford, Oscar Smith, Garland Gray.

Delegates to Federal Council—E. W. Jones, J. G. Truitt, J. H. Dollar, H. E. Crutchfield, R. L. House, H. S. Hardcastle, L. E. Smith, F. C. Lester, J. F. Morgan.

Trustee of Eastern Virginia Conference—J. D. MacClenny.

Conference adjourned until the evening session.

THURSDAY—EVENING SESSION.

Called to order by the President, and turned over after announcements to Mr. Charles E. Heath, Jr., President of the Pilgrim Fellowship of the Eastern Virginia Conference, who presided. The South Norfolk Choir and the Christian Temple Junior Choir led the congregation in singing: "In Christ There Is No East Nor West." Miss Emily Harrell read the Scripture lesson from Ephesians 4: 1-14. Prayer was offered by Mr. Rowland Allgood. The Christian Temple Junior Choir sang three selections: "Beneath the Cross of Jesus," "Keep a Inchin' Along," and "Look Away to Heaven." Mr. Ray Day spoke on "Our China Friendship Project." Mr. Heath spoke on "The Scope of the Eastern Virginia Fellowship." Rev. F. C. Lester introduced Rev. Samuel H. Leger, who made the concluding address.

Rev. A. Lanson Granger, Jr., pronounced the benediction.

FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Called to order at 9: 30 by President J. F. Morgan. Song Service by Mr. W. H. Baker, accompanied by Mrs. I. W. Johnson. Scripture by Rev. R. E. Brittle. Prayer by Rev. T. N. Lowe.

Mr. Henry Wise, a ministerial student from Elon College was introduced by Mr. W. H. Baker.

Minutes were read and approved.

Moved and carried that the secretary write a letter to Rev. Marna S. Poulson, Rev. H. E. Rountree, and Rev. Elisha Bradshaw, expressing the Conference's regret that sickness had prevented their being present.

Motion by Rev. I. W. Johnson, D. D., secretary emeritus of the Eastern Virginia Conference, was passed as follows:

This this Conference memorialize the next session of the Southern Convention to revise the Church Report Blanks so as to provide for a record of the amounts sent directly by churches, Sunday schools, and other societies to the various agencies, departments, or institutions previous to the Conference session, but to be credited on the conference apportionments for the current year; and, also, to provide spaces to indicate the actual amounts sent by the churches to the Conference for each of the various conference apportionments.

Motion by Dr. Johnson was adopted as follows:

Moved that the secretary of the conference be authorized to have blanks printed, at the expense of the conference, to be attached to the check, or money, sent to Conference, indicating credit for money sent to the various departments, agencies, or institutions for the conference apportionments during the year; and, also, indicating the specific amounts to be paid to the various conference funds from the amount sent directly to Conference.

Moved and carried that minutes be printed in the Annual, and that the secretary draw draft on the treasurer to pay for the same.

Report of Collector E. B. Rawles was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COLLECTOR.

	Conference Fund	Convention Home Missions	Conference Home Missions	Convention Fund	Foreign Missions	Elon College Fund	Orphanage	Christian Education	Superannuation Fund
Antioch	\$ 5.00	\$	\$ 2.00	\$ 5.00	\$	\$			
Barrett's	2.00	5.00	5.00	9.00	5.00	5.00	1.65		
Berea (Nans.)	6.00		25.00	25.00		34.00	19.95	5.00	6.00
Berea (Nor.)	5.00	23.50	26.50	35.00	23.50	70.00		5.00	8.00
Bethlehem (Dispt.) .	5.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	3.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	3.00
Bethlehem	15.00		35.00	45.00		20.68			12.00
Burton's Grove	2.00		4.00	4.05					
Centerville	4.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	2.00	2.00	.55	1.00	1.00
Christian Temple ..	35.00	110.00	150.00	225.00	110.00	235.00	80.00		80.00
Cypress Chapel									
Damascus		5.00			5.00				
Dendron									
Eure	10.00	2.25	10.00	10.00					
Epworth Mission ..	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00					
Elm Avenue	5.00		5.00	10.00					
First, Norfolk	12.00	5.00	40.00	50.00	5.00	5.00		2.93	5.00
First, Portsmouth ..	5.00	45.00	35.00	45.00					15.00
First, Richmond ...	10.00		35.00	45.00		5.91		10.00	
Franklin	18.00	8.00	73.00	85.00	85.00			15.00	35.00
Holland	25.00	3.63	74.00	85.00	4.00	166.76	14.86	15.00	35.00
Holy Neck	6.00			25.00					
Hopewell									
Isle of Wight	6.00	5.00	10.00	12.00	10.00	10.00		2.00	5.00
Ivor	3.00		1.00	2.00					
Johnson's Grove ...	1.00	3.00	3.00	3.44					
Liberty Spring	12.00	44.00	40.00	50.00	44.00	79.00		6.90	
Little Creek	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Mt. Carmel	6.00			7.00					
Mt. Zion	3.00	4.00	3.00						
Newport News	18.00		80.00	85.00					
New Lebanon	6.00		9.00	10.00					
Ocean View	5.00		2.00	4.50		10.00			4.00
Old Zion	10.00		20.00	25.00					
Oak Grove	5.00		5.00	5.61					
Oakland	7.00	13.92	35.00	40.00	13.93	75.00	19.43	10.00	
Rosemont	15.00			90.00	60.00	71.00		5.00	
Shelton									
South Norfolk	12.00		60.00	70.00		8.00			
Spring Hill	5.00	11.69	5.00	13.00		4.00		3.00	2.00
Suffolk	35.00		300.00	475.00		235.00			80.00
Union (Surry)	3.00	3.00		5.00		3.00			3.00
Union (South.) ...	5.00	5.00		10.00					
Waverly	12.00	15.00	5.00	53.00		10.00			5.00
Wakefield	2.00	5.00		5.00		25.00	5.75		5.00
Windsor	6.00	17.01	30.00	35.00	17.01	26.39	5.97	5.00	

Totals\$350.00 \$341.00 \$1137.50 \$1714.60 \$389.44 \$1104.75 \$151.16 \$87.83 \$307.00

Grand total Collected for Eastern Virginia Conference on Apportionments \$5,583.27

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. RAWLES,

Collector.

Report of the Committee on Finance was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, submit the following report:

We have examined the report of W. E. MacClenny, treasurer, and find same correct, and recommend that it be approved.

We recommend the payment of the following bills from the Conference Fund: John G. Truitt, secretary, salary, \$50.00; John G. Truitt, stamps, stationery and mimeographing, \$7.67; John T. Kernodle for programs, \$3.00.

We also recommend that the secretary be authorized to draw drafts for the following amounts to be forwarded to L. L. Vaughn, treasurer of the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches, Inc.: Convention Fund, \$1,714.60; Convention Missions, \$341.00; Foreign Missions, \$389.00; Elon College, \$1,104.74; Superannuation Fund, \$307.00; Christian Education, \$87.83; Orphanage, \$151.16.

Respectfully submitted,

T. FRED WRIGHT, *Chairman*,

I. T. BYRD,

W. H. BAKER,

Committee.

Moved and carried that the Collector convey money collected to W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer, Suffolk, Va.

The Committee on Place of Next Session of Conference, Mrs. John A. Williams, reported that the Christian Temple had invited the Conference to meet with them. By motion the report was adopted.

Report of the Committee on Stewardship was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON STEWARDSHIP.

In its very earliest stage the church taught that Stewardship is an integral part of Christian living. Jesus clearly indicated this in the teaching of the talents, and Paul, writing to the church at Rome, reminded them that followers of our Lord were not to be slothful in business.

From our standpoint of our relationship with God, who gave us the privilege of sharing the bounties of his world and the special vow we gave to the church to support her every effort, this committee urges all who claim allegiance to accept full responsibility.

In the interests of God, the church, the Conference, and the individual we would place increasing emphasis on this phase of Christian living.

Stewardship is partnership—nothing less, including earning, spending, and the giving of money, one of the commodities most essential in the carrying out our work.

One visit to Berea Church.

We report that thirteen pastors had an every member canvass, and five of these had some preliminary study course on Stewardship. All pastors preached directly or indirectly on Stewardship during the Conference year.

We therefore recommend:

1. *Informed Giving*—Our people should know the aims and needs of the causes they support, a study course would have real worth.

2. *Opportunity to Give*—The every member canvass offers to every member the opportunity to give and give liberally and systematically.

3. That finance committee of each church meet monthly to discuss and plan the financial interests of the local church.

4. That the finance committees of the local churches meet at some central point in the Conference for special Stewardship program.

5. That any church in the Conference feel at liberty to call on the Committee on Stewardship for information and assistance.

6. That our churches avail themselves of the splendid literature, much of which is gratis, from the Commission on Missions.

B. H. WATKINS,
GEORGE OLEJAR,
ARNOLD SLATER,

Committee.

Pending the adoption of the above report the Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, D. D., made an address on Stewardship.

In the absence of Superintendent Chas. D. Johnston of the Christian Orphanage, the Rev. Aubrey C. Todd read an address prepared by Mr. Johnston, and added appropriate remarks of his own.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Ethics was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL ETHICS.

Your Committee appreciates the fact that it has been appointed at the request of the ministers and not at the suggestion of the laity.

Ministerial Ethics is a matter of no small importance to both the minister and his church. In a review of a book by Frederick F. Mueller and Hugh Hartshorne, on Ethical Dilemmas of Ministers, we learn that a code of ministerial ethics was presented to the New York Presbytery for its adoption three or four years ago, but it was laughed out of court on the ground that it was lowering the dignity of the profession. Not all ministerial organizations have laughed at the proposal for some standard of ministerial ethics similar to what the bar associations have adopted, and that are so often forgotten or neglected.

Ministers anxiously try to solve moral problems of members of their churches, and yet they seldom seem able to agree upon a solution of some of their most intimate and insistent ministerial problems. In the single matter of marrying divorced persons it was found that out of 800 graduates of ten theological seminaries there was no substantial agreement regarding what they thought should be their attitude when requested to marry a divorced person. Nor did they see alike on social or civic issues, on community service, on methods of church finances, on professional relations with other ministers and other churches, on accepting special privileges such as ministerial discounts, clergy fares, fees and gratuities.

A minister is human and subject to all frailties of human nature. But he is a conspicuously marked man because of his calling and position in the community. As such he is under obligation to observe certain niceties of conduct all too often overlooked or neglected. Because of this fact, and not because of any different standard of conduct for a minister as against a layman, ministers should scrupulously be careful about their business dealings. Even the matter of promptly answering mail becomes important and can readily sink to the level of unethical ministerial conduct!

While it is more or less common to have commercial concerns give ministers a discount, it seems to your committee to be distinctly unethical for a minister to seek such discount by calling attention to the fact that he generally gets it. We call attention to this even though it is a small matter, yet it is not a small matter since it is frequently sneeringly referred to by critics of the minister and the church.

It is unethical even to talk as if a minister's opinion were the last word upon mooted questions. Ministers should give their opinion with becoming modesty. If the minister's personality justifies confidence, and if his record indicates that his opinions are the result of careful weighing of all available evidence, his modesty in offering opinions will be all the more appreciated.

Every minister should respect every other minister and accord them all the rights, prerogatives and courtesies he himself so much enjoys. Every minis-

ter should stay out of every other minister's field until he is invited, with the approval or consent of the incumbent, for any special event or social service.

Ministers should carefully avoid reciting incidents, even anonymously, that may be identified because of some peculiar circumstance or local color. Things told in confidence to a minister should not be talked or written about—if possible, they should not even be dreamed about. A minister is under an obligation to keep up-to-date in his reading and thinking. Wholesome books should be recommended to his people after he has read them. All his people do not need his advice in this matter, but some will welcome it.

A minister should be "as neat as a pin." Soiled linen, frayed cuffs, spotted clothes, soiled hands and disfigured finger-nails do not become the cloth Ministers should keep clean, outwardly, inwardly, constantly and scrupulously.

Every minister should "play the game" with his associates and sister churches. Each man deserves the help of all the rest, and all the rest deserve the help of each man. Ministers should avoid criticizing fellow ministers and, so far as the facts will warrant, should never fail to defend a fellow minister when he is absent.

Ministers are not asked to be identical thinkers, but they are expected to be sympathetic workmen—some skilled and some more so.

Ethics have to do with one's conduct and all of a minister's conduct is ministerial, so that ministerial ethics cover all that ministers do or should do, and all they should not do from sun to sun. Like Cæsar's wife, a minister must be above suspicion or taint.

Bills should be paid promptly. Debts are to be incurred only when necessary and then well within the limit of ability to pay. Promises should be kept even if keeping them bruises the maker. When people avoid a minister it is most likely to be because he has been unethical in manner or matter.

Ethics is a short word—it does not take many words to define it but it takes a sustained effort to illustrate it when it is tied to the word ministerial. Ministerial ethics are made up of ethical actions raised to the n'th degree. Raising to the n'th degree is not a matter of distance merely, but ethical ministerial conduct raises the level of a minister's thinking, talking and living. It invariably affects his congregation as well as his own immediate family. Unfortunate, indeed, is the community that harbors an unethical minister!

M. S. POULSON, *Chairman*.

The above report read by Rev. Robert Lee House, is the same as reported last year, it being considered so appropriate it was adopted.

The Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, D. D., on behalf of the ministers of the Conference made an appropriate speech of appreciation, and recognition of Dr. I. W. Johnson's 40th anniversary as an ordained minister of the Conference, it being the 40th anniversary of Dr. Johnson's ordination at Waverly, Va., 1899, and presented him a box of candy.

Dr. Johnson made appropriate response.

The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Enrollment in Sunday school and church membership in our Conference over a period of thirty years furnishes some interesting facts for thought:

Year	Sunday School	Church	Sunday School Increase	Church Increase
1908	3,414	5,655		
1918	5,821	7,646	2,407	1,991
1928	7,433	10,504	1,612	2,856
1938	6,660	9,997	-773	-507

These figures indicate, that something is wrong somewhere. Our church reports furnish some interesting figures on church and Sunday school attendance. Twenty-one churches have a larger average attendance at the principal service than the Sunday school in the same church. Eighteen Sunday schools have a larger attendance than the church. Two churches have an average twice that of the Sunday school, and three Sunday schools have twice the attendance of the church.

We call attention to the first two recommendations of the Committee on Christian Education, and urge that we do something about them this year.

We recommend that Sunday schools make an honest effort to reach the unreached in the community, and, that this committee be discontinued or its duties definitely defined.

Respectfully submitted,

JOE A. FRENCH, *Chairman*.

Report of Committee on Resolutions was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

The Committee on Resolutions, appointed by this session of the Eastern Virginia Conference of Congregational-Christian Churches, proposes at the outset that this Conference affirm by a vote of thanks its appreciation to the minister and members of the South Norfolk Christian Church for their cordial reception and friendly hospitality during these days of the Conference; that we express to the officers of this Conference our approval of their faithful services during the year, their careful and efficient planning of the program, and their systematic execution of it during these sessions; that we voice our sincere thanks to Dr. Samuel H. Leger, missionary to Peiping, China, for his informative and inspirational messages, and that the secretary of this Conference be instructed to acknowledge our appreciation of his services by a letter to the American Board of Commission for Foreign Missions.

We recommend that the committees elected by this conference be constituted as standing committees, that they be given the authority to plan and promote through the conference programs which embrace the emphasis and functions for which they are created; and that their reports to the Conference sessions be essentially digests of the work done and plans for the future.

(a) Specifically, we propose that the committee on Stewardship be designated to make graphic to our local churches the imperative necessity of raising the Conference apportionments.

(b) And further, we propose that the Committee on Temperance and Moral Reform be reconstituted as the Committee on Moral Reform, and that it include in its emphasis the following: International Relations, the Problem of Labor, Race Relations, and Temperance.

We recommend that in our preaching and worship the churches of this Conference affirm our common humanness in Christ with all nations and classes of the world, that we recognize in humility and penitence our complicity in the hurt and suffering of the world, and that we earnestly seek the forgiveness of God through whom we alone can be delivered into redemption and peace.

To this end, therefore, we propose that the churches of this conference unite in the concerted action before December 31, of voicing through petitions and personal letters to the President of the United States, the Secretary of State, and the Senators and Congressmen of our State, our avowed disapproval of the policy of this country of shipping armaments and implements of war to Japan; and that we affirm that if and when the Japanese army has been removed from Chinese territory this country works for the reconstitution of the economy of Japan.

Further, we propose that this conference recommend to the Southern Convention the following: (a) That that body consider the relationship of young people's groups, local and conference, to the work of the Conferences. (b) That the committee appointed by the Southern Convention for the purpose of revising

th manual of the Principles and Government of the Christian Churches be instructed to perform this work of revision and of bringing the manual up to date. (c) That the Southern Convention consider the relationship of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Convention to the Home Mission Board of the Congregational-Christian Churches, and that a more consistent correlation of these functions be worked out.

Respectfully submitted,

A. LANSON GRANGER, JR.

Moved and carried that the President appoint a Committee on Conference Session Music, which committee was appointed by the President as follows: Rev. Jesse H. Dollar, Rev. O. D. Poythress, and Rev. R. L. House.

Moved and carried that the Conference send letter of appreciation with a check for \$10.00 to the American Board for the services of Rev. Samuel H. Leger.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees, which were, at his request, approved by the Conference by vote:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Executive—Rev. J. F. Morgan, Col. J. E. West, Dr. J. G. Truitt, Dr. I. W. Johnson, Dr. H. S. Hardcastle.

Education—Dr. I. W. Johnson, Dr. H. S. Hardcastle, Dr. N. G. Newman, Rev. R. L. House, Dr. John G. Truitt.

Home Missions—Col. J. E. West, Rev. H. E. Crutchfield, Rev. T. F. Wright, E. L. Beale.

Foreign Missions—Dr. H. S. Hardcastle, Rev. J. H. Dollar, Mrs. R. T. Bradford, Mrs. B. D. Jones.

Christian Education—Rev. J. A. French, Dr. L. E. Smith, Dr. Kenneth Cornwall, Rev. R. L. House, Dr. H. S. Hardcastle.

Religious Literature—Rev. R. L. House, Rev. J. H. Dollar, Dr. C. R. Raymond, Rev. Sam N. Hurst.

Evangelism—Rev. R. E. Brittle, Rev. O. D. Poythress, Rev. S. W. Phillips.

Stewardship—Rev. Arnold Slater, Rev. H. B. Watkins, Rev. George Olejar.

Moral Reform—Rev. E. W. Jones, Rev. W. H. Garman, Rev. J. H. Warren.

Superannuation—J. T. Kernodle, A. M. Johnson, M. J. W. White.

Apportionments—W. H. Baker, J. W. Manning, Rev. B. H. Watkins.

Ministerial Ethics—Dr. M. S. Poulson, Rev. T. F. Wright, H. W. Lee.

Historian—W. E. MacClenny.

Memoirs—W. E. MacClenny.

Place of Meeting—Mrs. J. A. Williams.

Collector—E. B. Rawles.

Moved and carried that Rev. Aubrey C. Todd be granted, at his request, a letter of transfer to the Eastern North Carolina Conference.

The Conference then adjourned to meet at the Christian Temple, Norfolk, Va., Wednesday before the first Sunday in November, 1940, at 10:00 A. M.

J. FRANK MORGAN, *President*.

JOHN G. TRUITT, *Secretary*.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

Bradshaw, Elisha—No charge; visits, 50; funerals, 6. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*.

Brittle, R. E.—Sermons 192; conversions, 65; members received 51; marriages, 55; addresses, 6; baptisms, 26; visits, 1,835; funerals, 42. Salary, \$1,410.

Councill, H. G., Jr.—Sermons, 17; baptisms, 1; visits, 100; funerals, 2. Salary, \$1,200.

Crutchfield, H. E.—Sermons, 114; conversions, 28; members received, 35; marriages, 5; addresses, 2; baptisms, 9; visits, 900; funerals, 12. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*. Salary, \$1,325.

Denison, W. H.—Secretary of General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches. Addresses, 153. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun* and *Advance*.

Dollar, Jesse H.—Sermons, 126; conversions, 12; members received, 22; marriages, 7; addresses, 57; baptisms, 12; visits, 1,291; funerals, 5. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*.

Flowers, A. R.—Sermons, 45; marriages, 2; addresses, 21; baptisms, 3; funerals, 4. Salary, \$1,925.

French, Joe A.—Sermons, 102; conversions, 10; members received, 14; marriages, 4; addresses, 9; baptisms, 10; visits, 1,306; funerals, 9. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun* and *Advance*. Salary, \$1,411.

Garman, W. H.—Sermons, 180; conversions, 39; members received, 14; marriages, 28; addresses, 2; baptisms, 9; visits, 780; funerals, 35. Salary, \$1,820.

Granger, A. L., Jr.—Sermons, 18; addresses, 3; visits, 263. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*. Salary, \$525.

Hardcastle, H. S.—Sermons, 101; conversions, 27; members received, 65; marriages, 22; baptisms, 27; visits, 500; funerals, 25. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun* and *Advance*. Salary, \$2,700.

Hedgebeth, E.—Sermons, 29; addresses, 3; visits, 82. Salary, \$148.

House, R. L.—Sermons, 140; conversions, 7; members received, 12; marriages, 2; addresses, 5; baptisms, 3; visits, 800; funerals, 4. Subscriber to *The Christian*. Salary, \$1,800.

Johnson, I. W.—Sermons, 53; conversions, 32; members received, 42; marriages, 122; addresses, 4; baptisms, 30; visits, 250; funerals, 14. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*. Salary, \$1,620.

Johnson, J. S.—Sermons, 46; visits, 10. Salary, \$275.

Jones, E. W.—Sermons, 98; conversions, 2; members received, 21; marriages, 3; addresses, 31; baptisms, 1; visits, 510; funerals, 11. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*. Salary, \$1,925.

Key, Carl R.—No report.

Knight, John H.—Sermons, 86; members received, 12; marriages, 4; addresses, 29; baptisms, 5; visits, 600; funerals, 11. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*. Salary, \$1,500.

Lassiter, L. L.—No report.

Lester, F. C.—Sermons, 40; conversions, 2; marriages, 36; addresses, 75; baptisms, 1; visits, 200; funerals, 2. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun* and *Advance*.

Lowe, T. N.—Sermons, 160; conversions, 13; members received, 13; marriages, 12; baptisms, 13; visits, 282; funerals, 3. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*. Salary, \$351.

McCauley, J. E.—Sermons, 107; conversions, 12; members received, 14; marriages, 14; addresses, 11; baptisms, 8; visits, 1,123; funerals, 1. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*. Salary, \$1,800.

Moore, W. C.—Sermons, 50; members received, 7; marriages, 12.

Morgan, J. F.—Sermons, 134; conversions, 18; members received, 22; marriages, 21; addresses, 25; baptisms, 20; visits, 1,600; funerals, 14. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*. Salary, \$1,820.

Nash, D. D.—Sermons, 10; conversions, 2; addresses, 12; visits, 84; funerals, 5. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*.

Newman, N. G.—Retired. Marriages, 2; funerals, 2.

Olejar, George—Sermons, 49; marriages, 1; addresses, 3; visits, 278; funerals, 2. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun* and *Advance*. Salary, \$1,074.

O'Neil, W. B.—Sermons, 38; members received, 4; addresses, 6; visits, 293; funerals, 4. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun* and *Advance*. Salary, \$900.

Pearce, G. A.—Sermons, 6. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*. Salary, \$10.

Poulson, M. S.—Sermons, 20; addresses, 24; funerals, 2. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun* and *Advance*. Salary, \$900.

Poythress, O. D.—Sermons, 208; conversions, 372; members received, 100; marriages, 45; addresses, 22; baptisms, 68; visits, 1,190; funerals, 56. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun* and *Advance*. Salary, \$2,340.

Phillips, S. W.—Sermons, 200; members received, 5; marriages, 4; baptisms, 3; visits, 100; funerals, 2. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*. Salary, \$1,300.

Raymond, C. R. (10 1-2 months)—Sermons, 93; conversions, 18; members received, 30; marriages, 1; addresses, 24; baptisms, 27; visits, 450; funerals, 9. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*. Salary, \$1,040.

Roberts, J. M.—No report.

Rountree, H. E.—Chaplain in U. S. Navy. Sermons, 90; addresses, 25. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*.

Slater, Arnold—Sermons, 75; conversions, 5; members received, 17; addresses, 20; baptisms, 5; visits, 850; funerals, 25. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun* and *Advance*. Salary, \$1,500.

Smith, L. E.—Sermons, 27; conversions, 2; members received, 9; marriages, 2; addresses, 9; visits, 178; funerals, 5. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun* and *Advance*. Salary, \$900.

Todd, Aubrey C.—Sermons, 86; members received, 52; addresses, 7; baptisms, 40; visits, 400; funerals, 9. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*. Salary, \$1,200.

Truitt, John G.—Sermons, 101; conversions, 31; members received, 62; marriages, 46; addresses 17; baptisms, 26; visits, 1,305; funerals, 35. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun* and *Advance*. Salary, \$3,000.

Warren, W. H.—Sermons, 109; conversions, 13; members received, 8; marriages, 9; addresses, 21; baptisms, 17; visits, 780; funerals, 7. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun* and *Advance*.

Watkins, B. H.—Sermons, 109; conversions, 11; members received, 9; marriages, 5; addresses, 5; baptisms, 9; visits, 874; funerals, 8. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*.

Wright, T. Fred—Sermons, 114; conversions, 8; members received, 10; marriages, 4; addresses, 9; baptisms, 9; visits, 716; funerals, 8. Subscriber to *The Christian Sun*.

Proceedings of the Sixty-Ninth Annual Session of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference.

BROWN'S CHAPEL CHURCH (NEAR HEMP, N. C.)
NOVEMBER 8 AND 9, 1939.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Sixty-Ninth Annual Session of the Western North Carolina Conference met in Brown's Chapel Church, Wednesday morning, November 8, 1939. The President, Rev. E. Carl Brady, called the meeting to order at ten o'clock.

Jason Moore led in singing, "Standing On the Promises," "He's a Wonderful Savior," and "We're Marching to Zion."

Devotional Service was led by Dr. G. O. Lankford, who read Scripture, I Corinthians 12 and Romans 12 (in part). "Spiritual Unity" was used as general theme. Prayer by Rev. J. F. Apple.

Welcome Address by H. B. Saunders and Response by Cyrus Shoffner.

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—E. Carl Brady, H. V. Cox, W. J. Edwards, J. U. Fogleman, T. J. Green, G. O. Lankford, B. H. Lowdermilk, A. L. Lucas, W. C. Martin, D. R. Moffitt, M. A. Pollard, John Q. Pugh, Geo. M. Tally.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch (C)—By report and pastor, Rev. L. L. Wyrick.

Antioch (R)—Lyman Hayes, R. S. Needham.

Asheboro—Mrs. Lizzie Farlow, F. M. Wright.

Bailey's Grove—By report and pastor, Rev. B. H. Lowdermilk.

Bennett—By report.

Big Oak—Clarence Cole, Oscar Stevens.

Biscoe—J. A. McNeill, G. C. Parker.

Brown's Chapel—James Moore, J. R. Key, Johnnie Morgan.

Ether—W. H. Freeman, H. J. Cochrane.

Flint Hill (M)—Willie Williams, Benton Britt.

Flint Hill (R)—By report and pastor, Rev. D. M. Spence.

Glendon—No report.

Grace's Chapel—G. H. McDuffie, Mrs. Ralph Foushee, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Register.

Graham—By report.

Graham, Providence Memorial—Mrs. Marjorie Stuckley, Mrs. D. N. Vore.

Hamlet—No report.

Hank's Chapel—Lloyd Goodman, J. M. Farrell, Tommie Farrell, Earl Farrell.

High Point, First—Mrs. M. D. Woodell, Mrs. Irene Heath.

Liberty—C. L. Bray, Cyrus Shoffner.

Mt. Pleasant—By report and pastor, Rev. E. C. Brady.

Needham's Grove—A. L. Scott.

New Center—J. F. Garner, I. F. Craven.

Park's Cross Roads—R. D. Craven, Mrs. W. M. Cox, W. M. Dorsett.

Ptterson's Grove—No report.

Pleasant Cross—Mrs. John Q. Pugh, Mrs. Annie Craven.

Pleasant Grove—Grady Oats, J. M. Brown, Mrs. J. M. Brown, Mrs. J. M. Brown, L. M. Presnell.

Pleasant Hill—W. D. Murchison, P. E. Coble, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Fogleman.

Pleasant Ridge—G. C. Craven, Mrs. O. C. Brown, O. C. Brown.

Pleasant Union—Arthur Harris, Lewis Trotter.

Providence Chapel—J. R. Brewer, Thomas Moore, Jason Moore.

Ramseur—Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Bray.

Randleman—A. P. Gaster, Mrs. O. L. Stout, Mrs. W. G. Lamb.

Seagrove—Junie Farlow, Ralph Lawrence.

Shady Grove—J. S. Russell, Evelyn Cochran, Elmer Lloyd Cochran.

Shiloh—B. F. Brown, W. B. Moffitt.

Smithwood—Harvey Smith, Thomas Low, W. D. Curtis.

Sophia—Mrs. Troy Hall, Stacey Hayes.

Spoon's Chapel—Mrs. J. L. Hethcock, G. Vuncannon.

Union Grove—T. F. Brown, W. E. Brown.

Zion—No report.

Rev. T. J. Green introduced the following visitors who were seated as deliberative members and visiting brethren: President L. E. Smith of Elon College, Rev. F. C. Lester, Promotional Secretary, and Rev. A. L. Granger, Jr., of the Eastern Virginia Conference; Revs. J. F. Apple, D. M. Spence, D. N. Vore, L. L. Wyrick and Harold Lohman (licentiate), of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference; Rev. W. J. Andes of the Virginia Valley Central Conference; Rev. J. L. Foster of the Eastern North Carolina Conference; and Dr. Samuel H. Leger of North China.

Rev. E. Carl Brady submitted the printed program as the report of the Program Committee. On motion the program was adopted as the order of business, subject to such changes as may be necessary.

The President appointed the following Special Committees:

Nominating Committee—Dr. G. O. Lankford, Rev. John Q. Pugh, Rev. B. H. Lowdermilk.

Committee on Place—C. L. Bray, G. C. Craven, H. B. Saunders.

Committee on Memoirs—Revs. M. A. Pollard, G. M. Tally, D. R. Moffitt.

Committee on Resolutions—Rev. J. U. Fogleman, O. D. Lawrence, Mrs. D. A. Cornelison.

Finance Committee—Cyrus Shoffner, O. D. Lawrence, P. E. Coble.

Press Committee—Geo. T. Gunter, Rev. W. C. Martin.

Hymn: "Blessed Assurance."

The annual sermon was delivered by Rev. E. C. Brady, who read the second chapter of Acts and used for his subject: "Some Aspects of Pentecost." This was a splendid, inspiring sermon that received much favorable comment from his hearers.

Prayer by Rev. A. Lanson Granger, Jr. The Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. J. L. Foster, assisted by the three deacons of the local church and Revs. T. J. Green, H. V. Cox and J. Q. Pugh.

Hymn: "The Old Rugged Cross."

Rev. E. C. Brady cordially invited everyone to the big table for lunch. Motion made and carried that we adjourn for lunch.

Benediction by Rev. T. J. Green.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order at 1:45 by President Brady.

Quartette: "In the Shadow of the Cross"—by the Cox sisters, daughters of Rev. H. V. Cox.

Hymn: "The Way of the Cross."

Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. A. Lanson Granger, Jr., Dr. G. O. Lankford, reporting for the Nominating Committee, recommended that the present officers be re-elected as follows:

President—Rev. E. C. Brady.

Vice-President—Rev. M. A. Pollard.

Secretary—Geo. T. Gunter.

Assistant Secretary—Rev. W. C. Martin.

Treasurer—W. H. Freeman.

On motion the report was adopted.

Ministerial reports and church letters were handed to the secretary.

Brother A. P. Gaster of the Randleman Church, made a good oral report concerning his church.

Rev. A. Lanson Granger, Jr., pastor of our newly organized church at Asheboro, and the delegates, Mrs. Lizzie Farlow and F. M. Wright, were presented to the Conference.

The report on Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor was made by Geo. T. Gunter, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Your Committee wishes to submit the following brief report:

Our annual Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention was held at Randleman in July. A good program was rendered, the attendance was fair—but too many of our churches were not represented. We are happy to report (at least) one new Sunday school—the one at Asheboro began last Sunday, November 5, 1939. Too few of our churches have Christian Endeavor Societies, or active young people's organizations.

We offer the following recommendations:

1. That each church try to organize and maintain a Christian Endeavor Society, or some other young people's organization.

2. That the churches of our conference give greater support to our Elon Leadership Training School (as our Conference sent only four delegates this last summer).

3. That each school make a regular monthly offering to our Orphanage, and to missions—also a fifth Sunday (quarterly) offering to Elon College.

4. That the church and school cooperate in sending a generous Thanksgiving offering to the Orphanage.

5. That we call on our Board of Christian Education and the Promotional Secretary when we need their services and in return cooperate with them when they call on us.

6. That we, each local church, loyally support our Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention and the recently re-organized Pilgrim Fellowship organization in this Conference.

GEO. T. GUNTER, *Chairman*.

The report, on motion, was adopted as read.

The report of Committee on Education was submitted by Dr. G. O. Lankford. Motion made (by Dr. Lankford) that report be adopted and seconded (by Rev. M. A. Pollard). While the motion was pending, Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College, addressed the Conference. The report was discussed and then adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

In submitting this report your Committee has sought to bear in mind not only the needs, responsibilities, and opportunities of the Conference in the day in which we live, but also the needs and responsibilities that the Conference will have to face in the days and years that lie ahead. Hence, as a Conference, and as a part of the Church of Christ, we should be concerned not only with today but with tomorrow; we should strive to build not only for the generation of which we are a part, but for the generations that are to follow.

Let us then be reminded of the materials at hand and of the resources around us with which we are to deal as we undertake to build for the future church in the world—resources that have not as yet been fully recognized and certainly have been only partially utilized. The materials to which we refer are not what we usually think of as “natural resources,” but resources far greater than these—the resources in human life, human worth, and human power about us waiting to be used in Kingdom service.

In our world too much emphasis is being placed upon material values and too little upon our larger and more important resources that are capable of being transformed by the grace of God and of being made and moulded into agencies that may be used in the building of God's Kingdom on earth. Particular reference is made here to the young life about us whose presence lays upon the church of this hour a responsibility we can not ignore and a challenge we dare not fail to meet. If we allow these crucial days to slip by without our making full use of the means by which we may come to the aid of this generation of young people in solving their problems, in overcoming their frustrations and confusions, and in enlisting them in the Christian movements of our day, we shall find our greatest opportunity gone forever. It is most urgent, therefore, that we be Christians to the full measure of our possibilities and opportunities, and that we assert ourselves to the full extent of our ability, in the endeavor to mobilize the young life of our day for service in the Kingdom of Christ.

We wish to re-emphasize the great value and importance of Elon College to our people and to our churches as we seek to formulate and execute a program for our church life that will more adequately meet the exacting demands of a world that is on the march. The college is rendering a most valuable service in the field of higher education and of Christian thought and activity, and we commend this institution to you as worthy of your abiding interest, and of your increasing loyalty and support. We urge the full cooperation of all of our pastors and churches in the Golden Anniversary Campaign now under way for

the purpose of clearing the college of all its indebtedness, the accomplishment of which task will open its doors to a wider and a finer service in our midst.

Your Committee feels that the work of our Board of Christian Education and the endeavors of our Promotional Secretary are agencies that have in them great possibilities for good in our churches, if only our people will make wise and proper use of the same. It is the earnest opinion of this committee that there is a real need in our fellowship for these agencies, and we call upon the pastors and churches of the Conference to give all possible encouragement and full cooperation and support to these departments of our church life.

A year ago Brother Lacy Pressnell and Brother Glen Craven were admitted to the Biblical Class and were assigned a course of study as prescribed by the Government and Principles of the Church, looking toward their preparation for licensure to preach. Each has done some study and preaching during the year. The committee commends them for all the worthy efforts they have made. We recommend that they be continued for another year in the same status and relationship in which they were placed by the Conference in last annual session.

Brother Kenneth Register, a member of Grace's Chapel Church and a third-year student at Elon College, has been recommended by his church for licensure to preach. He is making encouraging progress in college and has preached acceptably a number of times in recent months. After careful examination, we recommend that he be licensed during this session of Conference.

Rev. A. Lanson Granger, Jr., pastor of our new church at Asheboro, brings a letter of transfer from the Eastern Virginia Conference. We recommend that he be enrolled as an ordained Elder in this Conference.

The committee calls the attention of this body to certain regrettable situations that have arisen in the Conference, which unfortunate situations were the result of activities by certain men who were not licensed or ordained ministers but who permitted themselves to be elected as pastors and assumed the office as such. It is the earnest conviction and judgment of your committee that this is an unwise course to adopt, one that is entirely out of line with the traditions, customs, and orderly procedure of the church, and one that should be vigorously discouraged and opposed by both the ministry and laity of the Conference as a potentially hurtful practice if permitted to continue. We, therefore, recommend and most urgently ask that no one who aspires to the ministry who is not duly authorized as a licensed or ordained minister accept the care of a church or churches as pastor, and that such aspirants to the ministry be expected to conform to the requirements of the Conference in these important matters.

G. O. LANKFORD,
M. A. POLLARD,
T. J. GREEN,
J. U. FOGLEMAN,
H. V. COX,

Committee.

Rev. A. Lanson Granger, Jr., was enrolled as an ordained Elder in the Western North Carolina Conference.

The President, Rev. E. C. Brady, announced that Kenneth Register would be licensed tomorrow (Thursday) at 10:00 o'clock.

Rev. G. M. Tally read the report of Committee on Religious Literature. While the motion to adopt the report was pending, the Conference listened to an address by Rev. F. C. Lester, editor of *The Christian Sun*. The report was discussed by several members of Conference, and then sent back to the committee.

The Entertainment Committee made an oral report.

Conference adjourned until the evening session at 7 o'clock.

Benediction by Dr. L. E. Smith.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 7:15 o'clock.

Worship Service was conducted by Rev. W. J. Andes, who read part of the thirteenth chapter of I Corinthians and used for his subject: "Love."

President Brady, in his sincere way, told the Conference about the Asheboro Church, and then read the following petition of said church for membership in this Conference.

The Congregational-Christian Church of Asheboro, N. C., members as we trust of the Body of Christ, having exercised repentance towards God and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and having been formally organized as a church group on Sunday, October 29, 1939, at a service of worship duly witnessed by the Rev. F. C. Lester, Promotional Secretary of the Southern Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches and the Rev. T. J. Green and Rev. H. V. Cox, members of the Committee on Home Missions of the Western North Carolina Conference, do hereby petition the Western North Carolina Conference for admittance into its membership, to share in its privileges and responsibilities.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. TRUITT, *Chairman, Ex. Committee.*

MRS. ORVA BROWN, *Secretary.*

A. LANSON GRANGER, JR., *Minister.*

Motion made by Geo. T. Gunter and seconded by two or three, that the church be received. After a short talk by the pastor, Rev. A. Lanson Granger, Jr., and in recognition of the Asheboro group present, thirteen members and the pastor, the motion was unanimously carried and words of welcome were spoken by Rev. E. C. Brady.

Sybrant Pell, President of the Conference Pilgrim Fellowship, was introduced and told, in his brief address, what the organization is, who is eligible for membership, and its great purpose.

A pageant, "The Color Line," was given by a group of young people from Pleasant Hill Church, with Henry Overman as leader. A rising vote of thanks was tendered the Pleasant Hill group for the evening's program. An offering was taken for our China project—the amount received was \$7.50.

Dr. Samuel H. Leger in a short address related some interesting personal experiences while in China.

Conference adjourned until 9:30 o'clock, Thursday morning.

Benediction by Dr. S. H. Leger.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:40.

Rev. B. H. Lowdermilk conducted the Devotional Service.

Minutes of the previous day were read, corrected, and approved.

The report on Social Service was made by Rev. A. L. Lucas. On motion the report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE.

We are living in a restless age. Many of our people seem to have a disregard for the church and the sanctity of the law. One of the serious things of this age is so many criminals among our youth. We feel sure that the church, the home and the public schools could help solve this problem.

We should do all in our power to promote peace in word and deed. The supreme need of the nations of the earth is the mind of the Prince of Peace. We must keep in mind our duty to all races of men.

Be it resolved:

1. That the only solution to present-day evils is in the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ.
2. That we keep the Sabbath Day Holy in the sight of God.
3. That we as a Conference go on record as opposing the use of liquor or any other intoxicants.
4. We urge that all our churches see to it that our program will be adequate to take care of the young people and furnish wholesome entertainment.

A. L. LUCAS,
M. A. POLLARD,

Committee.

Rev. F. C. Lester made announcement about the statistical reports, made from reports sent to Conference, and the reports were distributed to members of the Conference. Rev. and Mrs. Lester were thanked for doing this good work.

Rev. T. J. Green submitted the report for the Committee on Ministerial and Church Ethics. On motion the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL AND CHURCH ETHICS.

We recognize the call of the ministry as from God to man, by whom His gospel is to be preached to all the world with the promise of His presence to make it effective, for without Him we can do nothing. So in order that God may be glorified and His gospel magnified, the minister must keep himself unspotted from the world even as a chosen vessel, to preach the gospel which is the power of God unto salvation of all that believe. The minister cannot be too particular in his conduct nor too discreet in the care of himself regarding his influence in every way, and his word should be his bond. Confidence counts. Ministers should be kindly affectioned one toward another and in honor preferring one another. Ministers must have regard for their churches and churches for their ministers, otherwise they cannot be co-workers together with God.

Churches have a large part in the making or unmaking of ministers. Churches should not urge them to start by offering inducements for pastoral work until Conference has granted authority, neither should the candidate for the ministry be over-anxious to start until clothed with authority from his Conference. Loyalty is a great word. Let us be loyal to each other, loyal to our church and Conference, and loyal to God.

T. J. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Dr. L. E. Smith gave a report on what the Sunday schools and churches in this Conference had given to Elon College during the past year. He also stated that he had given our treasurer, W. H. Freeman, a check to cover the total amount. The amount being \$134.66.

Motion made by Rev. T. J. Green and seconded by W. C. Martin, that the check be endorsed by our Treasurer and returned to Dr. Smith for the use of Elon College. The motion was carried.

Rev. T. J. Green introduced the following visitors: Dr. S. C. Harrell, President of the Southern Convention; Rev. J. S. Carden of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference; Chas. D. Johnston, Superintendent of the Elon Orphanage; and Mrs. Lester of Elon College.

On motion these visitors were made deliberative members of the Conference.

Rev. M. A. Pollard reported for the Committee on Foreign Missions. While motion to adopt the report was pending, Dr. S. H. Leger again addressed the Conference. The report on Foreign Missions was then adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The church that is awake to the seriousness of these days gives first place to its missionary program, because the confusion that is all about us, and far too much within us, can only be cured by religion which brings into the affairs of men the power of God. We are to be *witnesses* of the Christ, and to affirm, confirm and reveal the spiritual experience that we have had. Witness means: (1) to see or experience, (2) to give personal testimony to what we see or experience, (3) *to bear an impress of our witness for identification*, and (4) to be an observer or onlooker only. We believe that we want to bear an impress of our witnessing so as to be identified as true followers of Christ. If we believe that the salvation of the world is conditioned on man's cooperation with God, to bring this cooperation is the task of the church. Christianity is not a theory about life. Christianity is life.

The church has spent altogether too much of its time and energies in criticism, in analyzing the problems and restating the difficulties. What the church must do is to preach a sure word of faith and a plain word of obedience. The present world crisis brings us face to face with immediate needs and tasks in which we dare not fail; Christian opportunity lies at our door.

We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, recommend the following:

1. That the leaders and pastors of this Conference stress the cause of missions and teach our people about our foreign friends.
2. That we spend more time in prayer for missions and observe the world day of prayer on February 9, 1940.
3. That we try to understand people of other races, and show a kind, sympathetic and Christian spirit toward them.
4. That the churches take an Easter offering for missions.
5. That each church seek to have its women organized into a woman's missionary society.

Respectfully submitted,

M. A. POLLARD,

A. L. LUCAS,

Committee.

Mrs. Hugh R. York reported on the Woman's Missionary Conference, and the report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF NORTH CAROLINA WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

The annual North Carolina Woman's Conference met with Ingram Christian Church, near Paces, Va., on October 10, 1939, for its twenty-seventh session. Around three hundred delegates and visitors were present to enjoy the hospitality and fine fellowship.

The theme for the day was: "A Vision—That they may all be one! A task—Even so sent I them into the world." (John 17.)

Mrs. C. H. Rowland, a former president of the Conference, presided, Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, President, being absent due to the death of a near relative.

Miss Ruth Isabel Seabury, Home Department Secretary for the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, gave the principal address. She has traveled extensively and gave us "snapshots" (as she called it) of what she saw and learned as she traveled through Turkey and India, presenting it in a vivid manner and giving us living pictures of conditions there. Miss Seabury also brought to the Conference a deep realization of what the great Madras Conference meant to the world community.

Dr. Atkinson, as usual, sent us a fine message, the subject of which was "One Leader, One People." It was enjoyed and appreciated greatly by all.

Mrs. W. R. Sellars conducted our worship service, conducting it as only she can in her splendid way. She also gave the Spiritual Life report. All missionary societies will study the Gospel of St. John this year.

Mrs. W. N. Huff sang beautifully the offertory solo, "The Good Shepherd."

Miss Margaret Alston, in a candlelight service gave a memorial to those who had died during the past year. Mrs. W. N. Huff and Miss Susie Allen sang, "Abide With Me." Recognition of former presidents was given and a few moments of silent prayer for deceased members.

Societies reaching the Standard of Excellence were given certificates. There were seven or eight societies reaching this standard.

Reports for fifty-four women's societies, twelve young people's, seven willing workers, and nine cradle rolls were received by Mrs. Stevenson, treasurer. This is an increase in the number over last year, but not nearly all the churches were represented. Let us try to awaken more churches to this spiritual need.

The total amount received from these societies was \$3,882.19, a little less than the total for last year.

Our next Conference will be held at Liberty (Vance) Church, near Henderson, N. C., in 1940.

MRS. HUGH R. YORK,
Randolph District Leader.

The report on Superannuation was read by Geo. T. Gunter (in lieu of J. Q. Pugh). Rev. F. C. Lester explained the "Annuity Fund," and the report was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

Social justice requires provision for old age or disability. Our government, by the social security act, has made a great stride in this direction. However, ministers being in the service of non-profit organizations are excluded from annuity benefits offered to those in industrial life.

When God lays hands upon an individual for the gospel ministry He claims him for his entire time. Therefore by faith he trusts those he serves for his support.

However, with all of our faith and trust, and all the liberality of the church, the ministry of the church is unable out of its meagre receipts to provide adequately for itself. It should be the pleasure of our church to provide the necessities of life for those of our ministry who are so unfortunate.

Your Committee therefore recommends:

1. That the churches of this Conference which have paid their Conference Apportionments in full be appreciatively commended for their cooperative and generous spirit.

2. That the churches of this Conference join in with churches of other Conferences of the Christian denomination throughout our territory in taking a Christmas offering for the benefit of our aged ministers and their families.

3. That the following names be continued on our list: Mrs. G. R. Underwood, Mrs. L. W. Fogleman, Mrs. T. E. White, and G. O. Lankford.

JOHN Q. PUGH,
D. R. MOFFITT,
PAUL E. COBLE,
Committee.

Brother Kenneth Register, a member of Grace's Chapel Church, was licensed as a probationer to preach the gospel, by Rev. E. Carl Brady.

Prayer by Dr. S. C. Harrell.

Address by Superintendent Chas. D. Johnston.

On motion the Conference adjourned for lunch.

Dr. S. C. Harrell pronounced the Benediction.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order at 1:50. Devotional Service by Rev. W. C. Martin.

The report on Religious Literature was again presented. It was read by the Conference Secretary, the members of the committee being absent. Moved and seconded that the objectionable phrases be eliminated. The report was discussed and then adopted as follows.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We are in the most tremendous hour of the world's history. Nations are giving away. What will a day bring forth?

Listen to what God's word says: James 5: 8, "Be ye also patient; establish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh."

We build schools and churches on almost every other corner, but our jails are filled mostly with youths under twenty-five, and our churches are being deserted by a mad generation loving pleasure rather than God.

And back of all the worry and misery of this unhappy world stands the eternal word of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. In Matthew 22: 29—"Ye do err, not knowing the Scriptures, nor the power of God."

Why do we have the flood tides of atheism? Because we have left off preaching of the judgment of Almighty God and the revelations of God—that's why atheism is sweeping over the land—because the pulpits of the land and the denominational machines have left the God of Elijah and bowed down to Baal—that's why there is so much confusion.

Let the note of his authority never be lost from the preaching of his gospel. The church is not a thing of human origin, nor with merely an earthly mission. It is the child of God, sent upon a divine mission, with an eternal message to men.

We owe no apology for it, nor do we need to defend it, nor spend our time trying to make it harmonize with science, or the theories of men.

God is able to take care of such matters.

It is our business to believe it, to live, and to preach it.

Its message is the revealed will of God, not the traditions of men.

Christianity would put an open Bible in the hands of every man, woman and child.

Christ is the heart and center of our Christianity, and the world needs to know the facts about this greatest of all characters. We accept it as a fact that he was born of a virgin, and upon this as a fact we base our claim to His deity, His authority, His miracles, and all He claimed and taught.

The Christian minister does not have to manufacture a tale, nor does he have to construct a web of mystery; he has but to tell the story of actual happenings.

Sin is a reality, and its fearfulness needs to be told to the world, its story does not have to be overdrawn; indeed, it could not be overstated.

Satan is a reality, and the world needs to know about him.

We believe that the Bible is the Word of God and we believe it is verbally inspired.

We believe that Jesus Christ was born of Mary the Virgin, and is the Son of God and God the Son.

We believe a man must be "born again" before he can see the kingdom of God.

We believe that the true church is the body of baptized believers whose only mission is, not to reform the world, but to preach and teach the Gospel of salvation to the individual soul.

We believe that Jesus Christ is only Head of the church, the Holy Spirit is the only Administrator, the Word is the only message, and winning of lost souls the only mission.

These facts must be dealt with openly and honestly.

Jesus said in Matthew 28: 19, 20, "Go teach all nations to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you."

The greatest Book of all times is the Bible, and we should give it first consideration. The Bible is God's message of love to men and we never can know that Book unless we know and love its Author. We can plant our feet upon its promises and be safe. We can practice its precepts and be holy. We can pillow our aching heads upon its unchangeable utterance and die in safety.

Praise God for the Book of all books. "The Lord gave the Word."

There is a great deal of literature being peddled over the country today that is dangerous for our young people to read.

Therefore, we recommend:

1. That we read and study the Bible daily, that we make it the first thing in our lives and study.

2. That parents take special care in selecting literature for their children published by those who accept the Bible as God's inspired Word.

3. That our members subscribe for and read our church paper, *The Christian Sun*.

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. TALLY, *Chairman*,

D. R. MOFFITT,

Committee.

Rev. E. Carl Brady read the following report of the Executive Committee:

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Our property at Hamlet is about to go to the Baptist denomination. The Executive Committee did some investigating but the matter is still unsettled.

Respectfully submitted,

E. CARL BRADY,

T. J. GREEN,

Committee.

On motion the report was adopted.

The report on Home Missions was presented by Rev. T. J. Green. Moved and seconded that report be adopted. The report was discussed by Rev. A. Lanson Granger, Jr., Rev. T. J. Green, Rev. H. V. Cox, and Dr. S. H. Leger. Motion carried and the report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

We, your Home Mission Committee, report as follows:

We are pleased to note that the Asheboro Church has been organized, or reorganized, with twenty-five members, and there are several other prospects. Rev. A. L. Granger is the pastor and your Committee has assisted on his salary to the amount of \$100.00.

Your Committee has also helped Bennett Church to the amount of \$50.00 on pastor's salary, and Flint Hill to the amount of \$47.78.

The delegates of Seagrove Church ask that this Committee recommend that their church be granted the privilege to sell their old church and lot and apply the proceeds on a new building on a different and more suitable lot, and we do so recommend, provided the deed to the new lot be made similar to the one on which the old church now stands.

For the ensuing year we recommend:

1. That Bennett and Flint Hill (Moore County) receive from the Home Missions Fund dollar for dollar for amount raised on pastor's salary, not to exceed \$50.00 in each instance.

2. That the balance of the Home Missions Fund of this year be given to Asheboro to help them in their work.

3. That since the Baptist people of Hamlet desire to purchase our church at that place, the Executive Committee be authorized to complete the transaction if agreeable terms can be made.

T. J. GREEN,
H. V. COX,

Committee.

Rev. H. V. Cox submitted the report on Evangelism, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

Evangelism is the life of and hope for the church. Evangelism is the Gospel in action—the bearing of good news to those who do not know about it. It is the channel through which the Holy Spirit gives Salvation to the man who is in bondage to sin. Thus, through the church does the Holy Spirit intend to win souls to Christ.

The Church of Christ is a living organ, whose mission is to go into all the world and make disciples of all nations, and when she ceases to carry out this command she is sure to crystallize and formality will replace the work of the Holy Spirit, and she will no longer be a house of prayer or a saving station.

Evangelism should be one of the supreme motives and goals of the church, for no church can ever fail who majors in this the most important work and will of God. Therefore, the ministers of this Conference should seek to be, as the Apostle Paul stated, "His ministers flames of fire" in carrying out the command of our Lord.

Therefore, we would recommend the following:

1. The pastors of this Conference seek to be filled with the Spirit of God, which will enable them to have a passion for souls.

2. That each pastor put forth every effort possible to arouse in his church members the duty and responsibility which is theirs in winning others to Christ.

3. That a greater zeal, increased effort, and a more complete consecration, to this the greatest work of the church.

H. V. COX,
B. H. LOWDERMILK,

Committee.

The report was adopted as read.

Cyrus Shoffner reported for the Committee on Apportionments. Moved and seconded that report be adopted. The report was then discussed by Rev. F. C. Lester, Thomas Low, Dr. S. C. Harrell, and others. The report was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We, your Committee on Apportionments, submit the accompanying "Schedule of Apportionments" for the year 1939-1940. It is the opinion of your Committee that there should be more nearly a 100 per cent collection of apportionments, and we recommend that the churches set up some system of raising church finances regularly throughout the year. We also recommend that our churches, in order to improve their financial system and methods of securing their funds, use the services of our Promotional Secretary, Rev. F. C. Lester,

who will be glad to suggest and help establish better financial systems in our churches. We recommend that all churches in our Conference take a special offering for our newly organized church at Asheboro.

Your Committee has given some time to the above recommendations, and we hope that the Conference will give them serious consideration.

SCHEDULE OF APPORTIONMENTS.

	Convention Missions	Foreign Missions	Convention Fund	Elon College Fund	Superannuation Fund	Christian Education	Conference Fund	Orphanage	TOTAL
Antioch (C)	\$ 5.5	\$ 5.5	\$ 5	\$ 9	\$ 3	\$ 2	\$ 6	\$ 9	\$ 45
Antioch (R)	6	6	6	10	3	2	6	11	50
Asheboro	6	6	6	10	3	2	6	11	50
Bailey's Grove	5	5	5	7	3	2	5	8	40
Bennett	6	6	6	10	3	2	6	11	50
Big Oak	15	15	15	20	8	6	16	40	135
Biscoe	9	9	9	12	4	3	9	20	75
Brown's Chapel	7	7	7	10	4	3	7	10	55
Ether	15	15	8	12	6	4	15	25	100
Flint Hill (M)	5	5	5	7	3	2	6	11	44
Flint Hill (R)	5.5	5.5	5	9	3	2	6	9	45
Grace's Chapel	15	15	8	12	6	4	10	30	100
Graham	4	4	4	6	2	1	4	10	35
Graham, Providence ..	8.5	8.5	8	10	4	3	8	15	65
Hamlet	3	3	3	5	2	1	3	15	35
Hank's Chapel	30	30	20	30	10	8	30	100	258
High, Point, First	10	10	10	10	5	4	10	30	89
Liberty	15	15	8	15	6	4	10	30	103
Mt. Pleasant	7	7	6	10	5	3	7	15	60
Needham's Grove	7	7	6	10	4	3	7	16	60
New Center	7	7	6	10	4	3	7	16	60
Park's Cross Roads ...	25	25	15	25	10	8	20	40	168
Patterson's Grove	3	3	3	6	2	1	3	9	30
Pleasant Cross	10	10	8	13	5	4	10	25	85
Pleasant Grove	15	15	15	16	8	6	15	25	115
Pleasant Hill	35	35	20	30	10	8	30	75	243
Pleasant Ridge	35	35	20	30	10	8	30	85	253
Pleasant Union	5	5	5	8	3	2	5	12	45
Providence Chapel	3	3	2	4	1	1	2	4	20
Ramseur	35	35	25	40	10	8	25	150	328
Randleman	15	15	10	10	6	4	15	60	135
Seagrove	15	15	8	12	5	5	10	30	100
Shady Grove	3	3	3	6	2	1	3	9	30
Shiloh	10	10	10	12	5	4	10	14	75
Smithwood	10	10	10	12	5	4	10	25	86
Sophia	8.5	8.5	8	10	4	3	8	15	65
Spoon's Chapel	9	9	8	9	4	3	8	25	75
Union Grove	10	10	10	11	5	4	10	20	80
Totals	\$438	\$438	\$336	\$488	\$186	\$138	\$398	\$1065	\$3487

CYRUS SHOFFNER,

I. H. FAUST,

W. H. FREEMAN,

Committee.

W. H. Freeman, Treasurer, made the following report:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Balance at close of Conference, November, 1938 \$ 988.89

DISBURSEMENTS.

Geo. T. Gunter, postage and secretarial work	\$ 27.00
Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Home Mission Fund	400.00
L. L. Vaughan, Treasurer of Southern Convention	388.89
Central Publishing Co., Annuals and Programs	102.42
Geo. T. Gunter, postage	2.50
Asheboro Printing Co., Receipt Book	1.50
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	\$ 922.31

Balance	\$ 66.58
Received during this Conference	857.61
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Total amount in treasury \$ 924.19

W. H. FREEMAN, *Treasurer.*

On motion the Treasurer's report was adopted (subject to report of Finance Committee).

The report of the Finance Committee was made by Cyrus Shoffner, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, W. H. Freeman, and find the same to be correct.

CYRUS SHOFFNER, *Chairman.*

Report of the Committee on Memoirs was submitted by Rev. M. A. Pollard. On motion the report was adopted as read.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Attention is called to the deaths of two of our Brethren from the ranks of the ministry: Rev. W. N. Hayes and Rev. J. M. Allred. Both of these brethren served various churches of this Conference acceptably for a number of years. As far as we are able to ascertain they gave of their best service to the preaching of the Word, and to the various enterprises of our church. Therefore, we feel that this Conference should spend a moment of silent prayer to God for the work these brethren did, and in behalf of their loved ones. After this long period of service and devotion to the Master and His Church, we lament their going, miss their fellowship, and feel keenly our loss. We bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well. As a token of heart-felt sympathy to the bereaved families, we ask that our Secretary be instructed to write a letter of condolence to them.

Respectfully submitted,

M. A. POLLARD.

The Conference (as per provision in report above) spent a few moments in silent prayer, with Rev. M. A. Pollard leading the closing prayer.

Mrs. D. A. Cornelison reported for the Committee on Resolutions. The report was referred to the committee for an addition to the report. The report was then adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

After some discussion and reasoning together we, your Committee on Resolutions, recommend the following:

1. That the Brown's Chapel Church be extended a rising vote of thanks by the Conference for its splendid hospitality and entertainment during this session of Conference.

2. That each member of the Conference express his appreciation to our President for his untiring service and for the inspiring message delivered to the Conference at this session. We further recommend that each and every one take to heart this message of truth and to apply it to our each and every practical experience.

3. That we thank all visiting minister and laymen who have joined us in making this Conference both enjoyable and successful.

4. That the churches of this Conference join in the united action through personal letters and petitions to the President of the United States, the Secretary of State, and the Senators and Congressmen of North Carolina, voicing our protest to the policy of this country in shipping armaments and implements of war to Japan; that we unite in this protest before January 1, 1940; and that we affirm that if and when the Japanese evacuate Chinese territory, we will offer our support in action towards the consideration of Japan's vital needs and welfare.

J. U. FOGLEMAN,
O. D. LAWRENCE,
MRS. D. A. CORNELISON,
Committee.

H. B. Saunders, reporting orally for the Committee on Place, stated that two churches had invited the next conference, and the Committee recommended that we meet with Hank's Chapel Church. On motion, our next conference goes to Hank's Chapel Church.

Motion made and carried that our minutes be printed in THE ANNUAL, that we get two hundred copies and distribute them on a pro rata basis.

The Treasurer was authorized to pay the Secretary \$25.00, and the Treasurer \$5.00, for services rendered in their official capacities.

Motion made and carried that \$200.00 be retained in treasury for Conference expenses and \$200.00 for Conference Home Missions; the remainder of funds to be sent to the Southern Convention Treasurer and expended on a pro rata basis.

A rising vote of thanks was given to the local for its hospitality and entertainment during this session of Conference.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees:

Executive—E. Carl Brady, G. O. Lankford, T. J. Green.

Home Missions—T. J. Green, H. V. Cox, W. H. Freeman.

Foreign Missions—M. A. Pollard, A. L. Lucas, G. M. Tally.

Education—G. O. Lankford, M. A. Pollard, T. J. Green, J. U. Fogleman, H. V. Cox.

Evangelism—H. V. Cox, B. H. Lowdermilk, J. Q. Pugh.

Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor—Geo. T. Gunter, Henry Overman, W. Lamb.

Social Service—A. L. Lucas, M. A. Pollard, J. U. Fogleman.

Apportionments—Cyrus Shoffner, W. H. Freeman, A. L. Granger, Jr.

Superannuation—J. Q. Pugh, D. R. Moffitt, P. E. Coble.

Program—E. Carl Brady, T. J. Green, Geo. T. Gunter.

Ministerial and Church Ethics—A. L. Granger, Jr., T. J. Green, G. O. Lankford.

The minutes were read and approved, as read.

On motion Conference adjourned to meet on Wednesday after the first Sunday in November, 1940, with Hank's Chapel Church, near Pittsboro, at 10:00 A. M.

E. CARL BRADY, *President*,
Box 35, Hemp, N. C.

GEO. T. GUNTER, *Secretary*,
Route 1, Seagrove N. C.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

Brady, E. C.—Sermons, 50; conversions, 40; baptisms 6; visits, 250; funerals, 5.

Cox, H. V.—Sermons, 64; conversions, 113; members received, 12; baptisms, 6; visits, several; funerals, 4. Salary, \$258.79.

Edwards, W. J.—Sermons, several; conversions, several; marriages, 1; addresses, 2; funerals, 2.

Fogleman, J. U.—Sermons, 24; conversions, 8; members received, 5; baptisms, 5; visits, 30. Salary, \$245.75.

Green, Edward F. (Physically unable to do pastoral work)—Sermons, 16; addresses, 12..

Green, T. J.—Sermons, 110; conversions, several; members received, 40; marriages, 2; baptisms, 33; visits, 100 or more; funerals, 11. Salary, \$500.00.

Lankford, G. O. (Physically unable to do pastoral work)—Marriages, 2; addresses, 19; visits, 117; funerals, 6.

Lowdermilk, B. H.—Sermons, 100; conversions, 66; members received, 7; marriages, 8; addresses, 5; baptisms, 12; visits, many; funerals, 8. Salary, \$265.00

Lucas, A. L.—Sermons, 60; conversions, 15; members received, 1; marriages, 8; addresses, 9; baptisms, 1; visits, 150; funerals, 7. Salary, \$87.00.

Martin, W. C.—Sermons, several; marriages, 1; addresses, several; baptisms, 27; funerals, 1.

Moffitt, D. R.—Marriages, 1; visits, several; funerals, 2.

Pollard, M. A.—Sermons, 132; conversions, 7; members received, 7; marriages, 6; addresses, 12; baptisms, 7; visits, 1,080; funerals, 36. Salary, \$1,300.

Pugh, John Q.—Sermons, 27; conversions, 2; addresses, 1; baptisms, 5; visits, many; funerals, 6.

Tally, G. M.—Sermons, 220; conversions, 100; members received, 39; marriages, 2; addresses, 10; baptisms, 36; visits, many; funerals, 20. Salary, \$1,218.

Proceedings of the One Hundred Fourteenth Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

BETHLEHEM CHRISTIAN CHURCH, ALTAMAHAW, N. C.
NOVEMBER 14-16, 1939.

The One Hundred and Fourteenth Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches met at 10:00 A. M., and was called to order by the President, Rev. W. E. Wisseman.

The opening Worship Service was conducted by Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, pastor of the Conference church.

ENROLLMENT.

The roll of ministers and churches was called, and a quorum was found present. The complete enrollment for the session was as follows:

Ministers—Revs. J. F. Apple, D. J. Bowden, J. S. Carden, G. C. Crutchfield, Melvin Dollar, B. J. Earp, O. A. Elmore, Stanley C. Harrell, W. M. Jay, J. H. Lightbourne, J. L. Neese, C. E. Newman, J. Howard Smith, D. M. Spence, W. Millard Stevens, G. H. Veazey, W. E. Wisseman, L. L. Wyrick.

Licentiates—Forrest Edward Church, F. N. Cox, Thomas E. Cross, Harold Loman, Edward Everette Martz, I. T. Underwood, Duane Vore.

Churches and Delegates.

Albemarle—Miss Hazel Maudlin, Miss Irene Sells, Mrs. O. A. Elmore.

Apple's Chapel—Russell Busick, A. T. Murrell, Mrs. R. E. Apple, John A. Troutman.

Asheville—Rev. Samuel M. Johnson.

Belew Creek—T. R. Preston, Mrs. T. R. Preston, Mrs. Irwin Neal.

Berea—Mrs. S. A. Shatterly, Mrs. W. L. Iseley.

Bethel—Mrs. Sallie Shaw, J. F. O'Ferrell, Mrs. V. L. Hooper, Mrs. W. B. Miles.

Bethlehem—C. H. Sutton, W. T. Madren, Ed Brown, Geo. Somers.

Burlington—Egbert Truitt, E. B. Rascoe, Miss Tora Rudd, Miss Nonie Moore, Mrs. W. R. Sellars.

Carolina—Mrs. Cora Dickey, Mrs. Mabel Thomas, Mrs. Melvin Dollar.

Concord—Mrs. W. R. Simmons, Mrs. Allen Tate, H. E. Terrell.

Danville—Mrs. J. R. Davidson, Mrs. E. T. Patterson, F. J. Allen, Rev. M. T. Sorrell.

Durham—Miss Kathleen Glenn, Mrs. Robert S. Smith, W. P. Perry, Wade Johnson, Dr. W. H. Boone.

Elk Spur—By letter.

Elon College—C. D. Johnston, Rev. G. O. Lankford, Prof. D. J. Bowden, Mrs. C. E. Tapscott, Miss Ann Watson.

Gibsonville—John Dennis, Merton Simpson.

Greensboro, First—H. V. Simpson, Mrs. V. S. Donkin, Mrs. J. E. Murray, Mrs. R. L. Caviness.

Greensboro, Palm Street—Mrs. E. L. Hobbs, Mrs. W. E. Hinshaw, Mrs. J. E. Smith, Mrs. A. H. Hinshaw, Mrs. M. A. Pollard.

Happy Home—Mrs. Geo. W. Hill, Mrs. G. D. Ellington, G. W. Searse, Mrs. G. W. Searse.

Haw River—Mrs. J. W. Simmons, Mrs. Rosa Phillips, Miss Mary Ann Thomas.

Hebron—By letter.

Hine's Chapel—R. W. Iseley, Mrs. R. W. Iseley, H. S. Lowe, Mrs. H. S. Lowe.

Hopedale—Mrs. R. L. Gerringer, Mrs. Lillian Carey, Mrs. Annie Mae Dickey, Mrs. J. W. Squires.

Howard's Chapel—Miss Mary Ellen Madison.

Ingram—Herbert W. Dunn, G. I. Satterfield, Miss Irene Dunn, Mrs. C. V. Dunn.

Ivy Hill—By letter.

Kallam Grove—J. W. Willson, Ivie A. Washburn.

Lebanon—Thomas Scott.

Liberty—

Long's Chapel—J. L. Fonville, Mrs. J. L. Fonville.

Lynchburg—Owen Brooks, Harold Brooks.

Monticello—Mrs. Jennings Kernodle, Mrs. T. F. Faucette.

Mt. Bethel—Miss Frances Barham, Miss Ethel Friddle, L. P. Rippy, Mrs. L. P. Rippy.

Mt. Zion—Jule Pace, Miss Dorothy Lynch, Gattis Carden.

New Hope—

New Lebanon—Mrs. T. L. Webb, Mrs. C. K. Webb, G. W. Ross, Mrs. G. W. Ross.

Pleasant Grove—By letter.

Pleasant Ridge—By letter.

Reidsville—Mrs. E. H. Abell, Mrs. D. E. Mitchell, Mrs. C. W. Gerringer, J. L. Wray, Mrs. J. R. Hutson.

Rocky Ford—By letter.

Salem Chapel—Miss Frankye Marshall.

Salisbury—

Shallow Ford—Boyd S. Tickell, Mrs. Erwin Walker, W. E. Walker, Mrs. R. B. Hensley.

Tryon, Erskine Memorial—By letter.

Union (N. C.)—J. H. Rascoe, Mrs. Walter H. Garrison, Miss Bruce Walker, Mrs. Lessie Lee Aldridge, A. T. Hart.

Union (Va.)—By letter.

Winston-Salem—Rev. F. N. Cox.

The Program Committee submitted the printed program as the report of the Committee. It was moved and carried that the program as printed be adopted as the order of business for this session, subject to such changes as may be necessary.

The Executive Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

During the previous Conference year, Rev. E. L. Wehrenberg, a minister of the Congregational Church and a teacher in an Indian school near Christie, Va., applied for membership in our Conference upon letter of transfer. With the approval of the Committee on Education, the Executive Committee voted his reception into Conference membership. This item was inadvertently omitted from the last report. We recommend that his reception into Conference membership be approved.

Mr. Arthur Brooks, a member of the First Congregational Church of Asheville, N. C., and a teacher in the Asheville School for Boys, was recommended by the Asheville Church and the Asheville School for Boys, as a candidate for ordination. Mr. Brooks holds an A. B. collegiate degree and B. D. degree from Union Theological Seminary, New York. The school in which Mr. Brooks is teaching requested his ordination that he might be elected as Chaplain of the school. Mr. Brooks passed a satisfactory examination for ordination; but in view of the Conference requirement of licensure before ordination, the Committee on Education recommended the licensure of Mr. Brooks. The Executive Committee authorized the licensing of Mr. Brooks, which was done at Elon College, N. C., on June 20, 1939. We recommend that the licensing of Mr. Brooks be approved.

W. E. WISSEMAN,
J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
STANLEY C. HARRELL,
Committee.

On motion it was voted that the Report of the Executive Committee be adopted.

The following Special Committees were appointed:

Nominations—C. E. Newman, J. F. Apple, Miss Ida Simpson.

Collectors—L. L. Wyrick, Zeb H. Lynch.

Press—J. H. Lightbourne, F. C. Lester.

Resolutions—J. Howard Smith, Miss Tora Rudd, W. M. Jay.

Place of Meeting—B. J. Earp, J. L. Neese, Miss Frankye Marshall.

Finance—C. D. Johnston, Clyde Iseley, H. V. Simpson.

The following visitors were recognized and accorded the privilege of deliberative members: Dr. Erwin L. Shaver, Secretary of Leadership Training; Dr. Samuel H. Leger, Missionary to China; Dr. G. O. Lankford and Rev. M. A. Pollard of the Western Conference; and Rev. M. T. Sorrell of the Eastern North Carolina Conference.

The Treasurer submitted his report as follows:

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

Balance on hand, 1938	\$ 484.85
Received from Collectors	4,834.35
Received from Albemarle Church	17.50
	<hr/> \$5,345.70

DISBURSEMENTS.

L. L. Vaughan, Treasurer for Convention Fund	\$1,000.00
L. L. Vaughan, Treasurer, Superannuation	334.75
L. L. Vaughan, Treasurer, Southern Convention	2,969.20
A. D. Pate & Co., Apportionment Labels	6.50
Walker Riddick Co., Registration Card	4.00
Treasurer, Christian Missionary Association, for C. M. A. .	200.00
North Carolina Council of Churches	35.00
Treasurer, North Carolina & Virginia Fellowship	25.00
Stanley C. Harrell	30.00
The Central Publishing Co.	115.75
J. H. Lightbourne, Agent, C. M. A.	175.00
	<hr/> \$4,895.20

Balance	\$ 450.50
Interest Received from Bank	21.34

Total cash on hand \$ 471.84

Reserved for Elon College loan fund	\$ 420.25
Interest on loan fund, 1938-1939	10.51
	<hr/> \$ 430.76

Cash on hand for Conference Fund	\$ 30.25
Interest on Conference Fund	10.83
	<hr/> 41.08
	<hr/> \$ 471.84

W. WALDO BOONE, *Treasurer.*

It was moved and carried that the report of the Treasurer be referred to the Committee on Finance for audit.

Rev. W. E. Wisseman, President of the Conference, delivered the annual Conference address.

The following Petition for Membership was presented to Conference:

We, the charter members of the Gibsonville Congregational-Christian Church, Gibsonville, N. C., members, we trust, of the body of Christ, have associated ourselves together as a church for the glory of God and for the service of our fellowmen, and have organized according to the principles of the Congregational-Christian Church.

Desiring to associate ourselves with sister churches of like mind and purpose, we, on this twelfth day of November, 1939, in session assembled, request that this church be admitted into membership in the North Carolina and Virginia Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches, promising to comply, to the best of our ability, with all requests and rulings of said Conference.

MRS. MARVIN LAUGHLIN, *Secretary.*

REV. HAROLD LOMAN, *Pastor.*

The names of twenty-nine charter members were appended to the petition.

On motion it was voted to grant the petition, to enroll the Gibsonville Church as a member of Conference, and to seat the delegates present. Merton Simpson and John Dennis were seated as delegates.

The Committee on Ministerial Ethics reported as follows:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL ETHICS.

We reaffirm our high ideals of the ministry, and our faith in the Gospel of Jesus Christ when preached in its simplicity, purity and power. This is the message that can save our generation from moral and spiritual ruin.

We believe that the power of the message will depend largely upon the character and influence of the minister. His conduct should be such as will impress and influence the people within and without the church.

We, therefore, recommend:

1. That our ministers ever strive to be pure in thought, chaste in speech and prudent in social relations.

2. That they study the Bible and live in such communion and fellowship with God as will give them assurance and power in the deliverance of its message.

3. That our ministers be prudent in making financial obligations and observe the strictest fidelity in meeting them.

4. That our ministers recognize the value of spiritual brotherhood and seek to cultivate and strengthen one another by intercourse and fellowship. We believe that the Piedmont Ministerial Association has and will contribute largely to this end.

5. That our ministers strive to meet all the requirements and regulations of the Conference and the church at large.

6. We urge the churches of our constituency to use discretion in the selection of a pastor both suitable and qualified for the respective field.

7. We commend the conference for its excellent policy used in safeguarding the portals of the ministry and if need be, raise the requirements for entrance into the same.

J. FRANK APPLE,
L. L. WYRICK,

Committee.

Rev. J. F. Apple led the discussion on the report.

On motion it was voted that the report be adopted.

Dr. Erwin L. Shaver delivered an address on Religious Leadership Training.

Conference adjourned for lunch.

Benediction by Rev. M. A. Pollard.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 1:45 P. M.

Prayer was led by Rev. G. H. Veazey.

The Committee on Evangelism reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

When we realize that there is a total of over eight thousand members in this Conference alone, and that last year we had a net loss of one hundred and sixty-eight, it is obvious that we need a vision that will stir us up. We recommend:

1. That we pray for an awakening experience in the individual heart.

2. That a strong effort be made to increase our membership during the next Conference year, each church endeavoring to attain the Convention goal of one net additional member for every fifty members or major fraction thereof added to the church roll.

3. That the only hope for a tired, weary and sinful world is that Jesus Christ shall rule it.

G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,
G. H. VEAZEY,
J. L. NEESE,

Committee.

Revs. J. L. Neese, G. H. Veazey, G. C. Crutchfield, and Dr. Samuel Leger discussed various phases of evangelism.

On motion the report on Evangelism was adopted.

The Committee on Religious Literature reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

There is no reason why the people of our churches may not be informed at all times relative to the work of the church, and of current thought in general, because of the abundance of material that may be had from the various Commissions of the General Council of our church, as well as local publications. We urge our churches to make this material available to the people, we hope that the Literature Committees of the local churches are doing this. We would suggest that the reading of literature concerning the church and the Kingdom of God will result in thinking upon these and, thus, action in their behalf.

We are happy to be able to inform the members of this Conference that the *Missionary Herald* may now be had for twenty-five (25c) cents per year. There is no reason why we could not have a large subscription list for this fine Mission publication in our Conference. Your pastor will be glad to assist you in getting your subscription in for this Mission magazine.

Advance and *Social Action* should have a wider circulation within our Conference. Why not see that some of the members of your church subscribe to these?

At the last session of this Conference the churches of the Conference were asked to increase the number of subscribers to *The Christian Sun* in their church up to a number assigned each church by this Committee and approved by the Conference. Some of our churches have worked at this task and have gotten results, however, others have failed to work at the job. The mailing list of *The Christian Sun* at this time does not show a net increase in subscribers within the bounds of this Conference since last session. We were hoping to have a net increase of 200 at this time, but we do not. *The Christian Sun* is a vital part of our church life, we must not forsake it. We ask our churches to take seriously this matter of *Christian Sun* subscriptions and strive to reach their goal before the meeting of this Conference in 1940. (List of goals may be found in the *Annual* published this year 1939, page 149.)

We would like to remind our people that our church still publishes good literature for use in the Sunday schools and other parts of the teaching program of the local churches of our fellowship.

Reading of the Bible should be a part of the daily life of all Christians.

When considering this matter of Religious Literature, remember that "an informed member is an interested member."

TORA RUDD,
MRS. D. E. MITCHELL,
BEN JOE EARP,
W. MILLARD STEVENS,

Committee.

Dr. Shaver led the discussion on religious literature.

On motion the report on Religious Literature was adopted.

A group from the Elon Orphanage presented a program of music. Superintendent Chas. D. Johnston made an appeal for the Thanksgiving Offering for the Orphanage.

President L. E. Smith of Elon College was presented to Conference.

Dr. Samuel H. Leger addressed the Conference relative to conditions in China and what the Church of Christ is doing to meet those conditions.

The Committee on Entertainment made report.

On motion the afternoon session adjourned.

The closing prayer was led by Rev. G. H. Veazey.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference was called to order by President Wisseman.

The Worship Service was conducted by Prof. D. J. Bowden.

Rev. G. C. Crutchfield sang "The Holy City" as a solo.

The evening sermon was preached by Rev. J. Howard Smith.

Benediction by Prof. Bowden.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order at 9:30 A. M.

The Worship Service was conducted by Rev. W. Millard Stevens.

Revs. H. V. Cox and J. Q. Pugh of the Western North Carolina Conference, and Rev. J. L. Foster of the Eastern North Carolina Conference were recognized and introduced to Conference.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

The Committee on Stewardship reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP.

Jesus said, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His righteousness" (Matt. 6:33). Are we seeking His Kingdom first if we supply all of our personal wants first, then lastly give sparingly to His cause out of what is left? We believe a very definite plan is needed to guide us in this respect.

Therefore, we offer the following recommendations:

1. In view of the fact that the Scriptures teach that man's relationship to God is that of a steward, we plead with all Christians and members of our churches to be faithful stewards concerning all of life.

2. That in the stewardship of our possessions we give at least the tenth of our income unto the Lord's work.

3. And to individuals and church groups who are not already tithing we recommend the limited tithing plan, known as the Belmont Plan, feeling sure that it will lead many to become regular tithers and better stewards of God.

D. M. SPENCE,
MRS. C. L. SIMPSON,

Committee.

Rev. D. M. Spence discussed the report.

On motion the report of the Committee on Stewardship was adopted.

The Committee on Apportionments reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We, your Committee on Apportionments, in compliance to the resolution of the Southern Convention, beg to submit apportionments to the churches for 1939-40, as given in the accompanying Schedule of Apportionments:

CLYDE ISLEY,
S. D. SCOTT,

Committee.

SCHEDULE OF APPORTIONMENTS—1939-1940.

	Convention Missions	Foreign Missions	Convention Fund	Elon College Fund	Superannuated Fund	Christian Education	Conference Fund	Orphanage	TOTAL
Albemarle	\$ 12.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 24.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 9.00	\$ 24.00	\$ 102.00
Apple's Chapel .	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Asheville	18.00	18.00	18.00	45.00	9.00	4.50	10.00	25.00	147.50
Belew's Creek ..	13.44	13.44	13.44	33.60	6.72	3.36	5.40	33.60	123.00
Berea	20.40	20.40	20.40	51.00	10.20	5.10	7.88	51.00	186.38
Bethel	21.60	21.60	21.60	54.00	10.20	5.10	8.25	54.00	196.35
Bethlehem	42.24	42.24	42.24	105.60	21.12	10.76	16.20	105.60	386.00
Burlington	140.00	400.00	140.00	400.00	100.00	50.00	100.00	2400.00	3,730.00
Carolina	8.00	8.00	8.00	20.00	4.00	2.00	4.00	20.00	74.00
Concord	16.00	16.00	16.00	40.00	8.00	4.00	6.50	40.00	146.50
Danville	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	175.00	408.50
Durham	184.00	184.00	184.00	400.00	92.00	46.00	72.00	300.00	1,462.00
Elk Spur	4.80	4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	2.00	12.00	44.00
Elon College ...	128.00	128.00	128.00	320.00	64.00	32.00	50.00	200.00	1,050.00
Greensboro: First	160.00	160.00	160.00	400.00	80.00	40.00	65.00	200.00	1,265.00
Palm Street ..	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Happy Home ..	27.20	27.20	27.20	68.00	13.60	6.80	10.50	125.00	305.50
Haw River	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	70.00	303.50
Hebron	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Hines Chapel ..	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Hopedale	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	24.00	88.00
Howards Chapel	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	24.00	88.00
Ingram	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	225.00	458.50
Ivy Hill	2.40	2.40	2.40	6.00	1.20	.60	1.00	6.00	22.00
Kallams Grove .	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	24.00	88.00
Lebanon	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Liberty	16.00	16.00	16.00	40.00	8.00	4.00	6.50	40.00	146.50
Longs Chapel ..	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Lynchburg	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	75.00	202.50
Monticello	16.00	16.00	16.00	40.00	8.00	4.00	6.50	40.00	146.50
Mt. Bethel	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	60.00	187.50
Mt. Zion	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
New Hope	4.80	4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	2.00	12.00	44.00
New Lebanon ..	22.40	22.40	22.40	56.00	11.20	5.60	9.00	125.00	274.00
Pleasant Grove .	26.40	26.40	26.40	66.00	13.20	6.60	10.13	45.00	220.13
Pleasant Ridge .	17.28	17.28	17.28	43.20	8.64	4.32	6.75	43.20	157.95
Reidsville	52.80	52.80	52.80	132.00	26.40	13.20	20.00	150.00	500.00
Rocky Ford	4.80	4.80	4.80	12.00	2.40	1.20	2.00	12.00	44.00
Salem Chapel ..	19.20	19.20	19.20	48.00	9.60	4.80	7.50	48.00	175.50
Salisbury	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.00	24.00	88.00
Shallow Ford ..	22.40	22.40	22.40	56.00	11.20	5.60	9.00	60.00	209.00
Tryon	43.20	43.20	43.20	108.00	21.60	10.80	10.00	30.00	310.00
Union (N. C.) .	27.20	27.20	27.20	68.00	13.60	6.80	10.50	68.00	248.50
Union (Va.) ...	35.20	35.20	35.20	88.00	17.60	8.80	13.50	88.00	321.50
Winston-Salem .	9.60	9.60	9.60	24.00	4.80	2.40	4.50	24.00	88.50

Totals \$1480.16 \$1740.16 \$1480.16 \$3684.40 \$769.48 \$384.94 \$627.61 \$5538.40 \$15,705.31

On motion the report of the Committee on Apportionments was adopted.

The Committee on Christian Education reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The activities within the Conference during the past year in the field of Christian education include the following:

1. The Summer Training School held at Elon College in which the total enrollment was 197. One hundred and five of these were of high school age, thirty-nine older young people and fifteen adults. The following certificates were issued:

First series course, 134; Second series course, 14; Special "A" course (on the same basis as first series), 239. Approximately forty faculty members, including counselors and other leaders, assisted in the direction of this school.

2. A Sunday School Convention held at our church in Danville, Va., in the early summer, the attendance at which numbered about 300. At this Convention, under competent leadership, the problems of Sunday school organization and practice were discussed. The Convention agreed to cooperate with other Sunday school conventions of our church, within North Carolina and Virginia in the bringing of specialists in Christian education to our area for the purpose of training and counsel.

3. At least one leadership training school was held in this area during the Conference year. This was in the Burlington Church and was well attended.

The leadership of this training school included Miss Ruth Seabury and others of outstanding ability.

4. Summer Student Service workers carried on effective programs in the following areas: Albemarle, Salem Chapel, Winston-Salem, and three in Carroll County, Va.

5. Summer Vacation Bible Schools, in addition to those directed by Student Service workers, were held in the following churches: Burlington, Elon College, First Church Greensboro, and Happy Home. The Vacation School at Elon was on an experimental basis for the training of students in the Elon Summer Training School. This was under the supervision of Miss Priscilla Chase and other competent leaders.

6. Dr. Erwin L. Shaver has agreed to counsel with the faculty of Religion in Elon College in the planning of a college course in Christian Education which will doubtless be instituted at the beginning of the next college year. The purpose of this course will be that of training our college students for more effective work in the churches to which they go after leaving college.

As a means of widening our program of Christian Education and of encouraging existing plans, the following recommendations are submitted:

1. That the Elon Summer Training School, which has been doing an excellent work of preparing our young people, be commended for its effectiveness and be fully supported by all of our churches. We urge that the enrollment be constantly increased by encouraging young people of our churches to attend.

2. That Summer Vacation Bible Schools be set up in as many churches as possible.

3. That Leadership Training Schools be fostered by a number of churches in our Conference in order to make possible a more effective teaching staff.

4. That superintendents of Sunday schools within the Conference develop an organization to meet occasionally for the discussion of common problems of Sunday school supervision.

5. That all of the churches in the Conference be urged to make the fullest use of materials offered by the Board of Christian Education of the Southern Convention. These materials, including plays, pageants, etc., are available at the office of the Board of Christian Education at Elon College, North Carolina.

6. That churches which are represented by students in Elon College, urge these students to take the training course which will be offered in the college next year in order that they may be more effective as teachers and officials in our Sunday schools.

Respectfully submitted,

D. J. BOWDEN, *Chairman.*

Dr. E. L. Shaver addressed the Conference concerning the "Program of Progress."

On motion the report of the Committee on Christian Education was adopted.

The Nominating Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

President—Rev. W. E. Wisseman.

Vice-President—Dr. J. H. Lightbourne.

Secretary—Dr. Stanley C. Harrell.

Assistant Secretary—Rev. W. Millard Stevens.

Treasurer—Dr. W. Waldo Boone.

Conference Representative to North Carolina Council of Churches—Dr. J. H. Lightbourne.

Song Leader—Rev. J. L. Neese.

Home Mission Board—Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, Rev. W. E. Wisseman, Dr. Stanley C. Harrell, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Zeb H. Lynch, Mrs. C. H. Rowland.

Delegates to the Southern Convention:

Ministerial—Revs. J. O. Atkinson, D. J. Bowden, J. S. Carden, J. F. Apple, G. C. Crutchfield, B. J. Earp, O. A. Elmore, S. C. Harrell, W. M. Jay, J. H. Lightbourne, C. L. Moody, J. L. Neese, C. E. Newman, J. U. Newman, J. W. Patton, W. T. Scott, J. Howard Smith, H. Shelton Smith, D. M. Spence, W. M. Stevens, G. H. Veazey, D. N. Vore, W. E. Wisseman, L. L. Wyrick.

Lay Delegates—Alfred G. Plyler, 910, Salisbury Street, Albemarle, N. C.; Mrs. R. E. Apple, Brown Summit, N. C.; Miss Lucy Hopson, Asheville, N. C.; I. M. Neal, Belew Creek, N. C.; J. M. Sharpe, Route 1, Elon College, N. C.; J. F. O'Ferrell, Route 2, Burlington, N. C.; James E. Wilkins, Route 2, Burlington, N. C.; V. R. Holt, Burlington, N. C.; Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Burlington, N. C.; E. B. Rascoe, Burlington, N. C.; Mrs. Melvin Dollar, R. F. D., Burlington, N. C.; F. J. Allen, Myrtle Avenue, Danville, Va.; Dr. W. Waldo Boone, Durham, N. C.; Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, Durham, N. C.; C. D. Johnston, Elon College, N. C.; Geo. D. Colclough, Elon College, N. C.; Mrs. W. P. Lawrence, Elon College, N. C.; H. V. Simpson, Greensboro, N. C.; Mrs. C. H. Rowland, 315 N. Edgeworth Street, Greensboro, N. C.; Mrs. W. E. Hinshaw, Greensboro, N. C.; A. H. Hinshaw, 17 Vine Street, Greensboro, N. C.; R. W. Powell, R. F. D., Reidsville, N. C.; Miss Emma Thomas, Haw River, N. C.; Holt R. Geringer, Route 5, Greensboro, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Luther E. Carlton, Paces, Va.; J. Walter Johnston, Route 5, Burlington, N. C.; W. T. Dunn, Lynchburg, Va. (c/o Southern R. R.); J. E. Cumbie, Brown Summit, N. C.; L. P. Rippy, Route 4, Reidsville, N. C.; Zeb H. Lynch, Route 1, Mebane, N. C.; J. L. Sharpe, Route 4, Reidsville, N. C.; Miss Grace Farmer, News Ferry, Va.; Claude V. Higgins, Kernersville, N. C.; Mrs. C. W. Geringer, Reidsville, N. C.; Miss Frankye Marshall, Walnut Cove, N. C.; W. E. Walker, Route 2, Elon College, N. C.; Miss Susan Harper, Tryon, N. C.; J. R. Walker, Route 3, Burlington, N. C.; Mrs. C. E. Newman, Virgilina, Va.; Mrs. D. E. Mitchell, Reidsville, N. C.

C. E. NEWMAN,
MISS IDA SIMPSON,
J. FRANK APPLE,

Committee.

It was moved and carried that the report of the Nominating Committee be adopted, and that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot of Conference for the nominees.

The ballot of Conference was cast by the Secretary as directed by motion, and the nominees were declared elected.

The Committee on Foreign Missions reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Foreign Mission work is still a great unfinished task. In many lands today there are outstanding manifestations of the Spirit resulting in great in-gatherings into the church. Such manifestations are not due merely to the zeal of Christian people but rather to the outcome of Divine initiative. Both are essential. Such manifestations are only a token of what God will do if the church will rise to its task. There is no valid reason why the church should slacken its zeal for Foreign Missions so far as the need is concerned.

The work of Foreign Missions has changed very much in recent years and the mission authorities are striving to conform to this change. There is still a strongly expressed opinion among the younger churches on the mission field that missionaries from the sending churches are still needed. This is true in the well-established fields as well as in the less developed fields. The evangelistic missionary of today needs to be specially qualified in training and experience. Upon the missionary going out to institutional work, to take up pastoral duties or supervisory work there develops the responsibility of interpreting the rich experiences of the sending churches. They become the sources of research and the clearing house of information as they carry on their evangelistic work. Such missionary experts should serve the churches, encourage and train native leadership, rather than controlling or leading the work themselves.

The work of the missionary has therefore changed, but the need for more missionaries and more intensive evangelistic work is plainly evident from the point of view of the younger missionary churches. The leadership and control of churches, mission points and institutions are rapidly being turned over into the hands of trained native leaders. The work of the missionary thus becomes that of expert supervision, information, research and training.

A matter that should arrest the attention of all friends of Foreign Missions is the fact that large areas which were open to the Gospel in the nineteenth century are now being closed. Particularly is this true in Afghanistan, the Soviet Republics, Outer Mongolia, Nepal and Tibet. Missionaries have been driven out of Turkestan. Protestant Mission work in Abyssinia and the Italian-African colonies have been greatly restricted.

It is estimated that 45 per cent of China is still entirely untouched by Christian influences. Half of Manchuria is beyond Christian forces. In India there are a large number of Indian states where not a single missionary resides. There are areas in India of from two to five million population without an effective Christian witness. In India there are only seven missionaries and 7,000 Christians to every million of population. In Africa there are fifty-six missionaries to one million population which shows that the church in Africa is having a more rapid growth than in Asia. In South America the church is less strong than in India thus calling for many more national and foreign workers. In Mexico and Central America the church is only half as strong as in South America. At the same time there is a rise of many cults which claim to be a substitute for the Christian faith. Nations are seeking a substitute for God and various nationalities are replacing old religious loyalties. Revivals are also taking place in Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam, and Shintoism.

The Madras Conference report states that there is more organized opposition today to Christianity than at any time in the past 100 years; there are more non-Christians today than ten years ago, thus showing that the increase of church membership is not keeping pace with the increase of population. It states that missionary funds and the number of missionaries are less than a generation ago, thus causing a curtailment of evangelistic effort, the reduction of missionaries in many fields and the abandonment of many rural areas.

Evangelism is still the supreme task of the church and unless the church

makes an impact upon the secular world to win it to Christ the secular world will increasingly encroach upon the spiritual life of the church, silencing its witness and dimming its vision. This age is no time for waiting for a better day or for marking time. God is calling his church to go forward. The Gospel is still the power of God unto salvation. The churches of this Conference are challenged to a renewed effort to meet these changing conditions; to be faithful to the great commission of our Lord and to support the cause of Foreign Missions with their prayers and their means.

W. M. JAY, *Chairman*,
 MRS. O. H. PARIS,
 MRS. W. R. SELLARS,
 MRS. J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
Committee.

As a part of the report on Foreign Missions, the report of the Woman's Missionary Conference was presented as follows:

REPORT OF NORTH CAROLINA WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

The twenty-seventh annual session of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Conference met at the Ingram Congregational-Christian Church on October 10, 1939. Approximately 250 people were present. It was a most inspiring day. The host of people present, the good reports, the kind hospitality of the Ingram Church and the challenging messages of Miss Ruth Seabury were never to be forgotten experiences.

The success of this Conference, we feel, was due to the untiring efforts of our retiring president, Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, and our other officers, and to the good work done by the local societies.

We had a good year in our Conference, even though we did not reach our financial goal. Several new societies were reported and one new society has been organized since Conference. This is very encouraging and from the reports of our District Superintendents at Conference we feel that there will be others organized this coming year.

The discouraging part of our work is the fact that not all of our old societies are functioning. We list seventy-two woman's societies in our *Year Book*; but only fifty-four sent in money on their apportionments. We list seventeen young people's societies, seven junior societies, and fifteen cradle rolls; but thirteen young people's societies, five juniors and nine cradle rolls reported to our Treasurer.

Our District Rallies in the spring were well attended. Rev. F. C. Lester was the speaker for these Rallies and presented the work of our American Board in a splendid way.

Our aims for this coming year are: deeper consecration of our members; interesting and enlisting younger women, young people and children; more and better literature; and meeting our financial goal.

Our Conference meets next year with our Liberty (Vance) Church. We look forward to a good year's work and a good conference.

MRS. W. E. WISEMAN,
President.

Pending the adoption of the reports, Dr. Samuel H. Leger spoke with reference to mission work in China.

On motion the reports on Foreign Missions were adopted.

Letters were read from Rev. W. T. Scott, Rev. John R. Chapman and Dr. J. O. Atkinson expressing their regrets at being unable to attend the session, and bearing greetings and good wishes. Dr. Atkinson commended the organization of the church at Gibsonville, and solicited the aid of those who are so minded.

The Committee on Finance reported as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We have examined the report of Dr. W. Waldo Boone, Treasurer, and find the same to be correct. We recommend:

1. That \$25.00 be paid Rev. Stanley C. Harrell for secretarial work.
2. That \$25.00 be paid to the North Carolina and Virginia Pilgrim Fellowship to aid in its work.
3. That \$35.00 be paid to the North Carolina Council of Churches.
4. That the bills for stationery, programs, Annuals, postage, etc., be paid.
5. That the balance of the Conference Fund be paid to the Christian Missionary Association, and that all other designated funds paid to Conference be forwarded to Prof. L. L. Vaughan, Treasurer of the Southern Convention, for distribution to the respective causes.

CHAS. D. JOHNSTON,
CLYDE ISELEY,
H. V. SIMPSON,

Committee.

On motion the report of the Finance Committee was adopted.

Conference adjourned for lunch.

Benediction by Rev. H. E. Crutchfield.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 1:45 P. M.

Prayer led by Rev. B. J. Earp.

Ministers Quartette sang: "Face To Face."

Rev. F. C. Lester presented a tabulation of the Church Reports which had been received by Conference.

The Home Mission Board reported as follows:

REPORT OF HOME MISSION BOARD.

Through other Boards and Committees the pressing need for vital religious living at this time in our America, and all over the world, will be presented. Forces from without and influences from within our America battle at her gates to make her more pagan than she is. In hours of pessimism we are tempted to consent their onslaught has succeeded, and that we seem helpless before these pressures. But this is not true. Over our America there are great hosts of people who have not bended the knee nor bowed the head to baal. And these hosts need the strength and the inspiration and the idealism of the church; and other hosts sorely need the saving and redeeming function of the church, and the church in this hour must not fail either her Lord, or these hosts or the crucial hour by which she is challenged.

Our part in this great endeavor is small but it is essential. In community after community we are sacredly responsible. If we fail then the failure is great and devastating. It is the thought of your Board that it has an important part in this endeavor. And while its part may be looked upon as the more practical aspect of the work yet this must be spiritualized and made to convey the warmth and glow and compulsion of Christian faith, hope and love.

The Board works through the Christian Missionary Association chiefly. This last year this Association realized through the Conference fund and from membership dues \$817.00. This is not a large sum and not nearly as large as the work requires and as our prospective fields demand. But with it some constructive work was done and this may be reflected in the reports that come to us from the fields aided. During the year 1939-1940 the church at Winston-Salem, the churches of Pastorate No. 2, and the newly organized church at

Gibsonville will be assisted. It has been quite evident through the years that while the sums granted in themselves have been of great help, the recognition on the part of the fields aided that the Conference is sympathetic, has contributed to morale and solidarity and we are sure there will be a resultant interest in the work of the Conference by these fields.

We wish to offer certain observations and draw from them recommendations for your consideration:

1. Since the Christian Missionary Association requires a larger budget than is now at its disposal, and since there are many churches within our Conference which hold no memberships in the Christian Missionary Association, we therefore recommend:

That the Fellowships of Churches organized within our Conference each observe a Christian Missionary Association Sunday at which time through an exchange of ministers and the use of lay speakers the work of the C. M. A. shall be presented and memberships solicited, and that the officers of the different Fellowships shall confer in order to avoid conflictions and to realize the full service of ministers and laymen.

2. Since several agencies work within the bounds of our Conference in the field of Home Missions, and since frequently they work at odds and to the disadvantage of the ends sought, therefore we recommend:

That the Home Mission Board be authorized to create a program of Home Mission procedure and effort in association with, and agreeable to, these other agencies.

3. Since there are many difficulties to be overcome in the program and plan of grouping our churches into pastorates, and since after all this plan affects most vitally the churches in their life, development and progress, we therefore recommend:

That the Home Mission Board be the authorized agency of the Conference to approach our churches in regard to this program and plan, to call on churches contiguous to each other to meet together to discuss the advisability and practicability of their grouping and forming a pastorate or pastorates, but with this reservation, namely, that in order to avoid disrupting pastoral arrangements within the Conference year this effort on the part of the Board shall be confined to the period December-July inclusive.

4. Since the effort and plan to effect pastorates so intimately concerns the ministers, and since it is just and righteous that they shall have some sense of security in their pastoral relationships, we therefore recommend:

That any and all ministers serving churches with which it is contemplated to initiate a plan of grouping shall be advised in advance of the plan and advised with regarding its feasibility, that their cooperation shall be sought, that it will be understood they will not oppose the plan without appealing the matter to the Executive Committee of the Conference, and that they can be assured the effort either will be consummated or dropped for that Conference year by August the 1st and will not be resumed before December 1st, and that the purpose of this is, that no minister's work will be interfered with during any given Conference year.

5. Since the work of grouping our churches is so intimately associated with the relationship of the ministers to the churches as pastors, and since the Board has no supervision whatsoever in the forming or disrupting of these relationships, we therefore recommend:

That our churches shall through communication with the Committee on Education assure themselves of the good standing of a minister before calling him as pastor.

J. H. LIGHTBOURNE, *Ch'm'n*,
W. E. WISSEMAN,
STANLEY C. HARRELL,
ZEB H. LYNCH,

Committee.

Dr. Lightbourne discussed the report.

On motion the report of the Home Mission Board was adopted.

Dr. J. H. Lightbourne offered the following Memorial:

A MEMORIAL TO THE NORTH CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA
CONFERENCE.

A few miles north of the town of Mebane and not far from the location of our Mt. Zion Church is the site where from 1838 to 1849 the Junto Academy stood and operated under the principalship of Elder D. W. Kerr. And here in the building used for administrative purposes the said Elder D. W. Kerr did, on February 17, 1844, edit the first issue of *The Christian Sun*.

And since at different times efforts have been made to create an interest among our people to erect at this site a marker calling attention to the establishment of Junto Academy, the editing of the first issue of *The Christian Sun* and the life and achievement of Elder D. W. Kerr; and since at this time there is in hand a small sum contributed for that purpose and also unpaid pledges made for the same purpose, and since it is our feeling this project should be carried on to completion, we recommend:

1. That the Conference authorize the setting apart of a Sunday during January on which occasion all our churches will be asked to receive an offering, the sum total of which shall go to supplement the sum already in hand; that the Loyal Men's Brotherhood Class of the Burlington Church and that the Mt. Zion Church shall be asked to interest themselves especially in this offering; and that the Southern Convention shall be memorialized through its Executive Committee for permission to ask for contributions from the constituency of the Southern Convention through the pages of *The Christian Sun* during the months of January and February; and that the total of these offerings and gifts together with the sums now in hand in cash and pledges shall be used for the immediate erection of a suitable marker.

2. That the said Loyal Men's Bible Class and the Mt. Zion Church be asked each to name a man to serve on a committee together with one other designated by the President of the Conference to execute the terms of this memorial.

On motion the Memorial was adopted.

Dr. J. H. Lightbourne was appointed as Conference Representative on the Committee provided for in the Memorial.

Dr. J. U. Newman, the senior ministerial member of this Conference, and Dean J. D. Messick of Elon College were presented to Conference.

The Committee on Education reported as follows.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

We, your Committee on Education beg to submit the following report. It has been the custom formerly for the report of this Committee to deal with the needs of Elon College and its services to our church; and with those who would serve as ministers and pastors within this Conference. The Southern Convention at its last session combined under one Board of Education the work of Education through the Sunday school and church, and the work being done by institutions of higher learning. Pursuant to the action of the Southern Convention, we recommend that in the future the Committee on Christian Education of this Conference report on the work being done in education by Elon College. We recommend furthermore that this Committee function as the Committee on the Ministry of this Conference.

Elon College is in excellent condition from every standpoint. It has the largest student body in its history. It has an excellent faculty. A fine spirit prevails among both members of the faculty and student body.

Elon College needs support from our churches. It is our school. Where possible and advantageous, our people should send their sons and their daughters to Elon. Of course it needs financial support. The failure of churches to

pay conference apportionments militates against the college in meeting its financial requirements and impairs to a certain extent its standing with educational associations. If the churches would raise their full apportionments, the Convention's note of \$250,000.00 would be recognized without question as a part of its endowment which would make Elon's endowment well over \$500,000.00.

The college is now in the midst of the Golden Anniversary Campaign. The purpose of this campaign is to free Elon College of debt. The basis of the campaign is membership in the Elon College Golden Anniversary Club—\$1.00 a year for every year of the college's existence. "\$50.00—50 years—3,000 volunteers." To date over \$25,000.00 has been raised which means that one-sixth of the desired amount has been raised. Membership in the Club is open not only to individuals, but to Sunday schools, organized classes, societies and the churches themselves. Alamance County is now making a campaign to raise \$50,000.00 as its share in the campaign. When Alamance County has raised its quota, it will not only be an inspiration to others, but will place upon the constituency outside of Alamance an obligation to raise the remaining \$84,000.00.

Rev. Milo J. Sweet, Registrar of the Congregational Conference of the Carolinas, sends to this Conference a letter of transfer for Rev. Park W. Fisher of Brasstown, N. C. Mr. Fisher is a teacher in the J. C. Campbell Folk School. We recommend that the transfer be approved and that Mr. Fisher be enrolled as a member of this Conference.

Rev. E. J. Sanderson, who came into this Conference as a licentiate by letter of transfer from the Ontario Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches, requests that he be granted a letter of transfer back to the Ontario Conference. We recommend that the letter of transfer be granted.

Rev. Melvin Dollar, a licentiate of this Conference, graduated from Elon College at the close of the last academic year. He is now serving as pastor at Carolina and Howard's Chapel. These churches recommend that Brother Dollar be ordained. He has passed a satisfactory examination before this committee. We recommend that he be ordained at this session of Conference.

Rev. O. A. Elmore, whose ordination at the hands of the Baptist Church has been recognized in order that he might serve as pastor and complete the Conference requirement of graduation from college, is now serving as pastor of the Albemarle Church, but is not now doing any work toward his collegiate degree. We recommend the continuance of the recognition of his ordination on the condition that he complete his college work within two years.

Rev. D. N. Vore, a licentiate of this Conference, is in the senior class at Elon College. He will, during the coming Conference year, serve as pastor of Haw River and Providence Church. After he has graduated from college and passed a satisfactory examination before this committee, we recommend that the Executive Committee authorize and provide for his ordination.

Licentiates I. T. Underwood, Harold Loman, Thomas Eugene Cross, and I. I. Sears are commended to be continued as licentiates for one year.

Brothers Holt Ross and Thomas Weldon Madren, members of the Bethlehem Church, have appeared before this Committee and professed their conviction of a call to ministry and have declared their intention to prepare themselves for service in that capacity. They are students at Elon College. They have presented from the church of which they are members, testimonials as to their good reputation and Christian character. We recommend that they be enrolled as members of the Biblical Class.

Brother F. N. Cox, a member of the Congregational-Christian Church of Winston-Salem, N. C., has applied to this Committee for recommendation for licensure. Brother Cox is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and a licensed practitioner of the North Carolina Bar. He is recommended by his church for licensure. We recommend that Brother Cox be licensed at this session of Conference.

Brother Edward Everette Martz, a member of the Longhurst Methodist Church, Longhurst, N. C., and a member of the Senior Class of Duke University, has appeared before this Committee, declaring it to be his desire to be

licensed as a probationer by this Conference. He has presented to this Committee his church letter from the Longhurst Methodist Church, together with an excellent testimonial from the Board of Stewards of that church as to his Christian character and the acceptability of his work for two summers in that church as pastor's assistant. We recommend that his request be granted and that he be licensed at this session of Conference.

Brother Forrest Edward Church, a student in the senior class of Duke University, who holds license as a lay preacher in the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church, has appeared before this Committee and expressed a desire to become a minister of the Congregational-Christian Church and a member of this Conference. Members of this Committee have received testimonials as to the good work Mr. Church has done as a preacher. Licensure as a lay preacher in the Methodist Church is about the equivalent of licensure in our own Conference. We recommend that upon the presentation of his letter of transfer from the Western North Carolina Methodist Conference, that his license be recognized by this Conference and that he be duly enrolled as a licentiate of this Conference.

Rev. John R. Chapman has resigned the pastorate of the First Congregational Church of Asheville, N. C., and has accepted the pastorate of a church in Massachusetts. He requests a letter of transfer from this Conference to the Mass. Suffolk North Association. We recommend that Mr. Chapman be granted a letter of transfer as requested.

S. C. HARRELL, *Chairman*,
J. U. NEWMAN,
J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
W. M. JAY,
D. J. BOWDEN,
Committee.

It was moved and seconded that the report be adopted.

President Smith spoke on "The Place of Elon College in the Life of the Church."

Dr. Lightbourne spoke with reference to the Campaign in Alamance County.

Dr. W. H. Boone spoke on the Campaign in North Carolina outside of Alamance County.

Following a general discussion, it was voted that the report of the Committee on Education be adopted.

The President announced that the services of licensing and the rite of ordination as provided for in the adoption of the report will be a part of the closing service of Thursday's morning session. Revs. J. H. Lightbourne, J. F. Apple and Stanley C. Harrell were appointed an Ordaining Presbytery.

Conference adjourned for the afternoon.

Benediction by Rev. J. F. Apple.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The session opened with Miss Elberta Murray, President of the North Carolina and Virginia Pilgrim Fellowship, presiding.

The Worship Service was conducted by a group of young people from the Burlington Church.

The work of the Pilgrim Fellowship was presented by Miss Frances Foster, President of the Southeast Pilgrim Fellowship.

Address by Dr. Samuel H. Leger.

An offering was received for the Mission Project of the Southeast Pilgrim Fellowship in China. The amount received was \$2.53.

The session closed with the Benediction by Dr. Leger.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 9:30.

The morning Worship was conducted by Dr. J. H. Lightbourne.

The minutes of Wednesday's sessions were read and approved.

Rev. Forest Church, Mr. Edward Martz, Rev. W. J. Andes of the Virginia Valley Conference, and Miss Rosalie Royall were introduced to Conference.

The Committee on Moral Reform reported as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

During these days we have a new awareness of the need of our world for Christ. One duty of Christian people is to continually inject the serum of righteousness into a world filled with evil and injustice. The larger the need the greater our responsibility. Jesus long ago made it clear that the only alternative to evil and its concomitant unhappiness is love. Not by might, nor by power, nor laws, nor armies, nor creeds, but by "My spirit, saith the Lord God of Hosts, shall the Kingdom of Heaven come." It would be a dark world indeed, if by our neglect and indifference, we allowed this divine spark of love to fade from the face of the earth.

In a world torn by war it behooves us as "followers of the way" to re-affirm our belief in the universal Fatherhood of God. Peace is a by-product of righteousness and we should call men to the challenge made of old by the prophet Amos: "Let justice run down as waters and righteousness as a mighty stream." In this war-filled world, let us oppose hatreds, bitterness, and prejudices which contribute to misunderstanding and war. Let us express our goodwill to nations everywhere!

We condemn the liquor traffic as a base enemy and destroyer of personality. In a recent issue of the *Christian Herald* there appeared this statement: "If I were a liar, I'd advertise beer as a food, whiskey as a promoter of the abundant life, and cocktails as the badge of social correctness. They say that if you repeat anything times enough, people will believe it."—McAlphine.

Someone has estimated that there are three times as many women and girls working in places where liquor is dispensed than are in public universities. Radio and newspaper advertising come to the American fireside proclaiming the alleged merits of various brands of liquor. The National Safety Council, in convention at Atlanta City just recently, received the report of a committee which had been making a three-year study. Here is what they reported: "Liquor is responsible for 25 per cent of the deaths in auto accidents. Twenty per cent of auto fatalities are caused by drinking drivers. Fifteen per cent of the people involved were drinking pedestrians. Taylor Soper, executive secretary of the Illinois Road Builders' Association said: 'The main hazard is not the souse. There are not many of them. The main hazard is fellows like my friends and yours who think they can drive as well with just a few drinks as they can with no drinks. They are numerous.' We should wage an aggressive warfare against the liquor traffic as it is an undermining influence in our national life."

In conclusion, let us go on record as condemning and vigorously opposing any and all forces contributing to the disintegration of our Christian tradition. Our attitude toward every problem should be worthy of the name Christian. Jesus still can be the Savior of the world if we love and serve him.

Respectfully submitted,

J. HOWARD SMITH,
O. A. ELMORE,
MRS. STANLEY C. HARRELL,
Committee.

Following a general discussion, on motion the report was adopted.

The Committee on Superannuation reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

There is little probability that our government will ever change the Social Security Act to include in its benefits those in the employment of non-taxable institutions. Thus it is necessary in the Congregational-Christian Church as in other denominations, pastors, lay employees of church and college, and missionaries must look for Social Security to denominational agencies.

Our own denomination has set up agencies that in time will furnish ample Social Security to minister and lay employees. Membership in the Annuity Fund offers far better protection than any government will ever afford. The aid given by the Pilgrim Memorial Fund in the payment of annual dues enables the minister to provide for old age or disability at very little cost. As aid from this fund is not available for the first year of membership, the Herring Memorial Fund is established to meet this need.

We are delighted to report that the membership in the Annuity Fund is increasing. From North Carolina there are twenty-two members and several of these from our own Conference.

We urgently recommend that the young minister, early after his ordination, become a member of the Annuity Fund. We offer our assistance in supplying literature and giving necessary information.

While the Annuity Fund will, in the course of time, cause that Ministerial Relief no longer be necessary, at present there is a moral obligation upon our churches to provide assistance to the disabled and retired ministers and to their dependents after their decease. This being true we recommend as follows:

1. That each church send to the Conference its apportionment in full for superannuation.
2. That each church take the special Christmas offering for superannuation.
3. That an offering be taken in each church at communion service when practical to do so.
4. That the Board of Superannuation of the Southern Christian Convention be asked to allow the following of this Conference to share with applicants from other Conferences as funds in hand permit: Mesdames L. I. Cox, C. C. Peel, J. P. Barrett, J. W. Knight, H. L. Moffitt, C. H. Rowland and Rev. J. S. Carden.

C. E. NEWMAN,
W. H. BOONE,
MRS. W. P. LAWRENCE,
ZEB H. LYNCH,
Committee.

Rev. J. F. Apple discussed the benefits to be derived from membership in the Annuity Fund.

On motion the Report on Superannuation was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee, would submit the following resolutions:

Resolved:

1. That we express by a rising vote, our gratitude and thanks to the pastor and people of the Bethlehem Church for the hospitality of their homes and the sumptuous meals served on the grounds. It has been a Conference rich in experience, fellowship and mutual good that has been held with this good people.

2. That we express our gratitude and appreciation to the speakers for their splendid messages and to those who have rendered special music during the Conference sessions.

3. That we express our appreciation to the officers and committees for the splendid service which they have rendered during this session of Conference.

4. That the designation of the Committee on Ministerial Ethics be changed to that of "The Committee on Ministerial and Church Ethics."

5. That we, as a Conference, heartily endorse the financial campaign of Elon College, and pledge our mutual and individual cooperation in this worthy effort to clear our college of all indebtedness.

6. That we earnestly urge our government and countrymen to join with us in putting forward an effort to stop the shipping of all weapons and war materials to Japan, the aggressor nation in the present Sino-Japanese War.

(a) That we feel that this expression of responsibility has been too long delayed and should be vigorously hastened.

(b) That if and when Japan shall evacuate the Chinese territory, we would like to offer our support in actions towards consideration of Japan's vital needs and the welfare of her country.

(c) Furthermore, that we urge our churches and their various organizations to send similar petitions to the President, our Senators, and Congressmen to give their support to this desired accomplishment.

7. That we urge our government and countrymen to maintain the spirit of neutrality in action in the present European conflict, and to keep our country out of war. That we beware of all vicious propaganda and the doctrine of hate that is calculated to stir up a war-like spirit among us; and that insofar as possible, we seek to maintain the mind of Christ toward all parties in this in-glorious conflict.

8. That whereas Dr. E. L. Shaver and Rev. Samuel H. Leger have rendered a most valuable and acceptable service to this Conference, be it resolved that in appreciation of these services the sum of \$10.00 be granted each of them to apply on their expenses.

9. That we express our appreciation to the Burlington *Times-News* for giving publicity to the reports of our Conference sessions. Further that this Conference deeply appreciates the generous publicity that this paper has given and is still giving to the Elon College Financial Campaign.

W. M. JAY,

J. HOWARD SMITH,

MISS TORA RUDD,

Committee.

On motion the Resolutions were adopted and a rising vote of thanks was extended to the pastor and people of the Bethlehem Church.

The Collectors reported as follows:

REPORT OF COLLECTORS.

The total amount sent to Conference during the year is \$4,700.33. This amount is designated as follows: Convention Missions, \$595.69; Foreign Missions, \$437.03; Convention Fund, \$1,091.61; Elon College, \$1,282.72; Superannuation, \$296.08; Christian Education, \$287.75; Conference Fund, \$524.55; Orphanage, \$193.90. The following churches raised Conference Apportionments

in full: Albemarle, Apple's Chapel, Belew Creek, Bethlehem, Burlington, Carolina, Elon College, Greensboro (First), Happy Home, Hine's Chapel, Ingram, Mt. Bethel, Mt. Zion, New Lebanon, Reidsville, Shallow Ford, Union (N. C.), and Winston-Salem.

(For total amounts raised by churches see Statistical Tables.)

L. L. WYRICK,
ZEB H. LYNCH,

Collectors.

On motion the Report of Collectors was admitted to record.

The Committee on Place reported an invitation from the Ingram Church, and recommended that the invitation be accepted.

On motion the report was adopted and Ingram was selected as the place for the next session.

The Committee on Memoirs reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

We are grateful to Almighty God that no minister of our Conference has died during the conference year 1938-39.

However, we would as a Conference, note with deep regret the death of our friend and brother, Rev. W. C. Wicker, D. D. Though not a member of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, yet his labors as a professor in Elon College have been of high value to this Conference as well as to our entire denomination. We, therefore, pause in silence as we thank God for his life and labors.

Signed for Committee by G. C. CRUTCHFIELD.

On motion the Report on Memoirs was adopted.

Dr. L. E. Smith led a prayer of thanksgiving for the life and influence of Dr. Wicker.

It was moved and carried that the minutes of this session be printed in THE CHRISTIAN ANNUAL, and that this Conference purchase 225 copies for pro-rata distribution among the churches.

Standing Committees were appointed as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Executive—W. E. Wisseman, J. H. Lightbourne, S. C. Harrell.

Program—W. E. Wisseman, S. C. Harrell, B. J. Earp.

Education—S. C. Harrell, W. M. Jay, J. U. Newman, J. H. Lightbourne, G. C. Crutchfield, D. J. Bowden.

Foreign Missions—D. M. Spence, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, W. M. Stevens.

Home Missions—J. H. Lightbourne, W. E. Wisseman, S. C. Harrell, J. O. Atkinson, Zeb H. Lynch, Mrs. C. H. Rowland.

Christian Education—W. M. Stevens, Mrs. F. C. Lester, D. M. Spence.

Moral Reform—D. J. Bowden, J. H. Lightbourne, J. L. Neese.

Superannuation—C. E. Newman, Dr. W. H. Boone, Zeb H. Lynch, Mrs. W. P. Lawrence.

Ministerial and Church Ethics—J. Howard Smith, B. J. Earp, O. A. Elmore.

Religious Literature—W. M. Jay, Mrs. O. H. Paris, Miss Tora Rudd, Mrs. D. E. Mitchell.

Budget and Apportionment—C. D. Johnston, S. D. Scott, Clyde Iseley.

Stewardship—J. Frank Apple, G. H. Veazey, Melvin Dollar.

Evangelism—J. H. Lightbourne, L. L. Wyrick, J. L. Neese.

Memoirs—G. C. Crutchfield, J. U. Newman.

Historian—J. O. Atkinson.

Finance—C. D. Johnston, H. V. Simpson, W. T. Dunn..

It was moved and carried that the Secretary send a letter of greetings and good wishes to Dr. J. O. Atkinson, and express the regrets of Conference that he was not able to attend.

Minutes of today's session were read and approved.

It was moved and carried that after the service of licensing and ordination, that the Secretary be authorized to complete the minutes, and that the Conference be adjourned.

The President of Conference, in accordance with the vote of Conference, licensed Brothers Edward Everette Martz and F. N. Cox as probationers to preach the Gospel of Christ.

An ordaining Presbytery composed of Revs. J. H. Lightbourne, J. F. Apple and Stanley C. Harrell ordained Brother Melvin Dollar as an Elder in the Gospel Ministry of the Congregational-Christian Church.

The Conference adjourned to meet Tuesday after the second Sunday in November, 1940, with the Ingram Congregational - Christian Church.

Benediction by the President, Rev. W. E. Wisseman.

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W. E. WISSEMAN, *President*,
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Greensboro, N. C.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

Apple, J. F.—Sermons, 128; conversions, 36; members received, 41; marriages, 6; addresses, 2; baptisms, 33; visits, 245; funerals, 10. Salary, \$1,088.92.

Atkinson, J. O.—Mission Secretary of the Southern Convention.

Bowden, D. J.—Professor, Elon College.

Carden, J. S.—Sermons, 30; conversions, 4; members received, 7; marriages, 2; baptisms, 1; funerals, 2. Salary, \$153.68.

Crutchfield, G. C.—Sermons, 98; conversions, 12; members received, 14; marriages, 2; addresses, 5; baptisms, 12; visits, 500; funerals, 25. Salary, \$1,000.00.

Dollar, Melvin—Sermons, 82; conversions, 4; members received, 11; visits, 755; funerals, 4. Salary, \$620.00.

Earp, B. J.—Sermons, 120; conversions, 31; members received, 43; marriages, 1; addresses, 20; baptisms, 31; visits, 677; funerals, 7. Salary, \$1,262.00.

Elmore, O. A.—Sermons, 118; conversions, 17; members received, 18; marriages, 2; addresses, 16; baptisms, 12; visits, 1,709; funerals, 4. Salary, \$1,200.

Fisher, Park W.—Received to membership at Conference.

Harrell, Stanley C.—Sermons, 106; conversions, 12; members received, 26; marriages, 5; addresses, 14; baptisms, 12; visits, 713; funerals, 7. Salary, \$2,425.00.

Jay, W. M.—Sermons, 64; conversions, 9; members received, 20; addresses, 6; baptisms, 6; visits, 868; funerals, 1. Salary, \$2,160.00.

Lightbourne, J. H.—Sermons, 97; conversions, 14; members received, 26; marriages, 6; addresses, 23; baptisms, 8; visits, 1,204; funerals, 12. Salary, \$3,000.00.

Moody, C. L., Jr.—No report.

Neese, J. L.—Sermons, 156; conversions, 123; members received, 33; marriages, 7; addresses, 9; baptisms, 28; visits, 987; funerals, 21. Salary, \$2,145.00.

Newman, C. E.—Sermons, 95; conversions, 70; members received, 65; marriages, 8; baptisms, 60; visits, 600; funerals, 20. Salary, \$1,200.00.

Newman, J. U.—Professor, Elon College.

Patton, J. W.—Masonic lecturer.

Scott, W. T.—Pastor-at-Large.

Smith, H. Shelton—Professor, Duke University.

Smith, J. Howard—Sermons, 102; conversions, 16; members received, 19; marriages, 2; addresses, 24; baptisms, 15; visits, 538; funerals, 1. Salary, \$1,420.

Sorrell, M. T. (Eastern North Carolina Conference)—Sermons, 159; conversions, 327; members received, 139; addresses, 25; baptisms, 45; visits, 988; funerals, 44. Salary, \$1,800.00.

Spence, D. M.—Sermons, 142; conversions, 9; members received, 9; baptisms, 1; visits, 715; funerals, 2. Salary, \$824.00.

Stevens, W. M.—Sermons, 113; conversions, 5; members received, 14; marriages, 1; addresses, 14; baptisms, 5; visits, 486; funerals, 7. Salary, \$1,040.00.

Veazey, G. H.—Sermons, 92; conversions, 8; members received, 11; marriages, 3; addresses, 15; baptisms, 7; visits, 500; funerals, 12. Salary, \$930.00.

Wehrenberg, E. L.—No charge. Sermons, 2; addresses, 75.

Wisseman, W. E.—Sermons, 96; conversions, 20; members received, 30; marriages, 14; baptisms, 27; visits, 1,831; funerals, 5. Salary, \$2,200.00.

Wyrick, L. L.—Sermons, 44; conversions, 7; members received, 7; marriages, 1; addresses, 5; baptisms, 8; visits, 350; funerals, 6. Salary, \$392.00.

Brooks, Arthur—Received at present session.

Church, Forrest E.—Received at present session.

Cox, F. N.—Received at present session.

Cross, Thos. E.—No report.

Loman, Harold—Sermons, 149; conversions, 745; members received, 94; addresses, 10; visits, 342; funerals, 22. Salary, \$1,400.00.

Martz, Edward E.—Received at present session.

Sears, I. I.—No report.

Sanderson, E. J.—Sermons, 49; conversions, 3; marriages, 1; addresses, 4; visits, 209; funerals, 6. Salary, \$523.50.

Underwood, I. T.—No charge. Sermons, 2; funerals, 1.

Vore, Duane—Sermons, 47; conversions, 5; members received, 5; addresses, 4; visits, 165; funerals, 4. Salary, \$560.00.

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TURNER'S CHAPEL CHRISTIAN CHURCH, SANFORD, N. C.
NOVEMBER 21 AND 22, 1939.

The One Hundred and Fourteenth Annual Session of the Eastern North Carolina Conference of Congregational-Christian Churches met and was called to order by Rev. J. Everett Neese, at 10:00 A. M.

Song Service was conducted by Rev. J. A. Denton.

Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. S. E. Madren.

ENROLLMENT.

The roll was called and the following were enrolled:

Ministers—E. M. Carter, J. A. Denton, James L. Foster, J. E. Franks, R. T. Grissom, B. J. Howard, J. Lee Johnson, S. E. Madren, J. E. Neese, C. Rexford Raymond, M. T. Sorrell, J. C. Cummings.

Licentiates—W. A. Grissom, E. M. Powell.

Churches and Delegates.

Amelia—W. T. Johnson, Mrs. W. T. Johnson, Mrs. T. N. Daughtry.

Antioch—By letter.

Auburn—Annie Laura Ford, E. J. Poole, Mrs. E. J. Poole.

Bethel—E. C. Smith, S. W. Holleman.

Bethlehem—By letter.

Beulah—A. W. Watkins, Mrs. A. W. Watkins, Mrs. S. R. Johnson, W. C. Barham.

Caroleigh—Not represented.

Cary—Not represented.

Catawba Springs—No report.

Chapel Hill—E. W. Neville.

Christian Light—T. R. Brown, Mrs. T. R. Brown, E. M. Blanchard.

Christian Chapel—

Clayton—

Damascus—Reported.

Ebenezer—Mrs. Juanita Warren.

Fuller's Chapel—W. S. Briggs.

Good Hope—Mrs. Z. T. May, Meona Davis.

Hayes Chapel—A. L. Hatcher, Mrs. A. L. Hatcher, W. B. Stone.

Henderson—C. D. Horton, Mrs. J. B. Ellington, Mrs. E. M. Powell, E. M. Powell.

Lebanon—E. L. Pattishall, J. E. Gunter.

Lee's Chapel—Mrs. Paul Thomas, Mrs. Billie Gunter.

- Liberty (Vance)*—Mrs. J. A. Newman, Mrs. Marcellus Currin, Mrs. Brookston Eaves, Margaret Alston.
- Martha's Chapel*—Reported.
- Mebane*—
- Morrisville*—J. F. Hilliard, Mrs. J. F. Hilliard.
- Moore Union*—J. R. Thomas, R. M. Griffin, C. F. Lett, Mrs. J. W. Lett.
- Mt. Auburn*—Reported.
- Mt. Carmel*—
- Mt. Gilead*—J. B. Hight, Mrs. J. B. Hight, Mrs. R. B. Gulpton, R. U. Wilder.
- Mt. Herman*—Mamie Munsford, Guy Smith, Tom Smith.
- New Elam*—Vada Goodwin.
- New Hill*—Not represented.
- New Hope*—A. L. Arnold, Andrew Denton.
- Niagara*—Reported.
- Oak Level*—W. H. Hudson.
- O'Kelley's Chapel*—No report.
- Piney Plain*—S. C. Oliver, H. S. Franklin, Mrs. C. W. Franklin, Will Patrick, R. L. Horton, O. I. Stephenson.
- Pleasant Hill*—Booker Creech, Bryan Godwin.
- Pleasant Union*—Mrs. M. E. Wilder, Mrs. Alda Long, John Green.
- Plymouth*—Clarence Pearson, Eppie Johnson, Mrs. Clarence Pearson, Grace Stephenson.
- Pope's Chapel*—J. B. Brown, Mrs. J. B. Brown, Mrs. O. M. Evans.
- Raleigh*—W. S. Bridges, L. L. Vaughan, Mrs. S. G. Lehman, Mrs. A. O. Harman.
- Sanford*—Mrs. R. M. Cline, W. C. Farrell, C. C. Way, Hattie Way.
- Shallow Well*—J. W. Kelly, E. B. Morgan, Mrs. W. S. Mathews.
- Six Forks*—Mrs. Clyde Perry.
- Southern Pines*—By report.
- Turner's Chapel*—Mrs. R. L. Ross, Mrs. B. C. Dawson, Mrs. J. M. Riddle.
- Wake Chapel*—K. B. Johnson, C. A. Ballentine, J. W. Stephenson, R. M. Dickens, W. J. Ballentine..
- Wentworth*—T. H. Banks, W. M. Rowland, Mrs. Geo. M. Williams.
- Youngsville*—By report.

Rev. R. T. Grissom gave words of welcome.

The following were recognized and seated as deliberative guests: Dr. Stanley C. Harrell, President of the Southern Convention; Rev. F. C. Lester, Editor of *The Christian Sun*; Revs. J. E. McCauley and Aubrey C. Todd, of the Eastern Virginia Conference; Revs. G. M. Talley and J. F. Apple, of the Western North Carolina Conference; Rev. J. S. Carden, of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference; Rev. Samuel H. Leger, Ph. D., of Peiping, China; Supt.

Chas. D. Johnston of the Elon Orphanage, and Rev. Allyn P. Robinson of Raleigh.

The President appointed the following Special Committees:

Place—Rev. J. A. Denton, A. W. Watkins.

Memoirs—Rev. E. M. Carter, Mrs. R. T. Grissom, Rev. Jas. L. Foster.

Nomination—K. B. Johnson, Prof. L. L. Vaughan, J. F. Hilliard.

Resolution—Rev. J. E. Franks, W. S. Briggs, Miss Margaret Alston.

Press—Rev. E. M. Powell, Rev. A. C. Todd, Rev. F. C. Lester.

Education and Standing of the Ministry, Vacancies—S. E. Madren, A. C. Todd.

The Executive Committee made its report.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

On January 11, 1939, your Committee granted a letter of transfer to Rev. Geo. N. Edwards to the Georgia Conference of Congregational-Christian Churches.

Also, on the 12th day of January, 1939, we gave certificate of transfer to Rev. F. Ervin Hyde.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. NEESE,

S. E. MADREN,

E. M. CARTER,

Committee.

The Program Committee offered the printed program as its report.

By motion the report was adopted with such changes as may be necessary.

Address: "The Challenge of the Annual Conference"—by Rev. J. Everett Neese.

The Conference Sermon was preached by Rev. Allyn P. Robinson.

Communion Services were conducted by Rev. A. C. Todd.

Conference adjourned for lunch.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 1:30.

Song Service by Rev. J. A. Denton.

Devotional Service conducted by Rev. J. E. Franks.

Superintendent Chas. D. Johnston presented "Our Orphanage." An offering was received to the amount of \$25.52.

Churches and Ministerial Reports were called for, and the ministers read their reports.

A petitionary letter of the new church at Hope Mills (N. C.) was read, and by motion the church was admitted to membership in the Conference and the delegates were granted full privilege.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Much of our present day thinking is moulded and fashioned after the kind of literature which we read. No one can read cheap literature and possess pure thoughts and a noble character. But good literature is a great aid to the art of right living. The church should help people distinguish between good and bad literature. The problem presented by modern literature challenges the church

Various denominations publish literature for their people. This method not only insures the best, but promotes denominational loyalty.

The Christian Sun is the official organ of the Southern Convention of the Congregational-Christian Churches. It is an excellent church paper which should be in every home of the church. Through the columns of *The Christian Sun* we get news of the activities of the churches in the Southern Convention which are not given to us in any other way.

The Missionary Herald is a fine magazine for use in missionary societies and other organizations of the church. This little magazine gives news of our work "at home and abroad." It should have a place in more of our homes.

The Pilgrim Highroad is a splendid magazine for young people. Besides the excellent articles which it carries, there are Christian Life topics and Christian Endeavor topics for young people's societies; as well as the International Uniform Sunday School Lessons.

For devotional literature, we would recommend first of all a daily reading of the Bible. *The Upper Room*, a booklet of daily devotions published by the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church, offers an opportunity for private devotions.

Your Committee would recommend:

1. That, since the Conference adopted at its last session the acceptance of the number of subscriptions which the Southern Convention apportioned to this Conference to make *The Christian Sun* self-supporting, that each church accept as its share the number apportioned by this Committee, as follows: Amelia, 6; Antioch, 5; Auburn, 6; Bethel, 3; Bethlehem, 3; Beulah, 8; Catawba Springs, 14; Chapel Hill, 5; Christian Light, 8; Christian Chapel, 9; Clayton, 4; Damascus, 4; Ebenezer, 10; Fullers Chapel, 11; Good Hope, 5; Hayes Chapel, 4; Henderson, 14; Lebanon, 2; Lee's Chapel, 3; Liberty, 28; Marthas Chapel, 4; Mebane, 4; Morrisville, 3; Moore Union, 6; Mt. Auburn, 10; Mt. Carmel, 6; Mt. Gilead, 8; Mt. Hermon, 4; New Elam, 12; New Hope, 10; Niagara, 2; Oak Level, 9; Piney Plains, 7; Pleasant Hill, 5; Pleasant Union, 7; Plymouth, 6; Pope's Chapel, 9; Raleigh, 15; Sanford, 14; Shallow Well, 14; Southern Pines, 8; Turner's Chapel, 5; Wake Chapel, 15; Wentworth, 7; Youngsville, 5.

That, each church have a Standing Committee charged with the responsibility of securing new subscriptions and renewals to *The Christian Sun*.

That, ministers endeavor to enlist their members in the daily reading of the Bible and other devotional literature.

That, since there is no literature better than that published by the Pilgrim Press and Christian Publishing Association, we recommend its use in our Sunday schools and other organizations of the church.

S. E. MADREN,

E. W. NEVILLE,

Committee.

Pending the report on Religious Literature, Rev. F. C. Lester, Editor of *The Christian Sun*, presented the cause of "Our Publications."

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, wish to recommend the following officers for the Conference year 1939-1940:

President—Rev. S. E. Madren.

Vice-President—Rev. Aubrey C. Todd.

Secretary—Rev. E. M. Carter.

Assistant Secretary—Rev. J. E. McCauley.

Treasurer—W. J. Ballentine.

K. B. JOHNSON,

L. L. VAUGHAN,

J. F. HILLIARD,

Committee.

By motion the report was received and the Secretary was authorized to cast the vote of the Conference, by which each nominee was elected to his respective office.

The President appointed the following to nominate delegates to the Southern Convention: *Ministerial Delegates*—K. B. Johnson, L. L. Vaughan, J. F. Hilliard. *Lay Delegates*—Rev. J. E. Franks, Rev. S. E. Madren, Rev. B. J. Howard.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Balance on hand	\$ 579.85
Collections on 1938 apportionments	1,038.50
Total on hand	\$1,618.38
1938	
Nov. 30 To Rev. E. M. Carter, Secretary	\$ 25.00
Dec. 5 To Rev. J. E. Neese	3.75
2 To Dr. T. D. Collins	10.00
30 To L. L. Vaughan, Treasurer	814.16
1939	
Jan. 23 To Rev. F. E. Hyde	5.50
Mar. 18 To Central Publishing Co.	61.25
21 To Rev. E. M. Carter	4.50
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	924.16
Nov. 20 Balance on hand	\$ 694.19

W. J. BALLENTINE, *Treasurer.*

By motion the report was received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

It would be quite helpful in reaching an understanding of the aims of the Home Mission Committee if reference were made to recent reports of this Committee submitted to the Conference in session at Liberty (Vance) Christian Church, November 17 and 18, 1936, which specifically sets forth a definite plan for expending the Home Mission money of this Conference. The report recommends that a Committee be established for the purpose of arranging for and forming a pastorate within the boundaries of the Conference when there appears to be an exceptional opportunity for service and growth, and that this same Committee work with the churches of the parish in securing a competent minister to serve them. No action was taken in 1937 or 1938 although the Committee was alert for opportunities and vigilant as to means for carrying out the recommendation which had formerly been adopted by the Conference.

During the spring and summer of this year, it appeared that there was a possibility of establishing a parish by bringing together four or five churches around Franklinton and by so doing the Conference could obtain the use of the parsonage in Franklinton, which is now owned by the Mission Board of the Southern Convention, without cost; therefore, a meeting was held, composed of committees from five interested churches, Rev. S. E. Madren, a member of the Home Mission Committee, and Rev. F. C. Lester, Promotional Secretary, to discuss possibilities. At subsequent meetings held at the respective churches it was decided to form a pastorate of four churches and to accept the gratuitous use of the parsonage, if the Conference would carry out the recommendations in the report of the Home Mission Committee to this Conference in 1938. These recommendations provide a Home Mission Fund of approximately \$400.00 to be used as a subsidy for the churches forming the pastorate and that the subsidy

be continued, provided the churches composing the pastorate are unable to pay a reasonable salary to the minister accepting the charge. Acting on faith in the recommendations of the Home Mission Committee, which were adopted by Conference, Rev. S. E. Madren was selected by the churches forming the pastorate as the minister and he has moved to Franklinton and is now living in the parsonage and is serving four churches; namely, Oak Level, Popes Chapel, Mt. Carmel, and New Hope. The Committee feels that this action is forward-looking and constructive and it is to be hoped that similar pastorates can be created by churches which are able to support a minister who should live in the community of the churches and serve them not only on Sunday but at all times.

The Home Mission Committee held a meeting on October 24 at the request of the Pulpit Committee of the Henderson Christian Church. The object of the meeting was to aid the Henderson Church in securing a successor to the Rev. J. Everette Neese.

In consideration of the former reports and recommendations of the Home Mission Committee and the progress made this year, we, your Committee, offer the following recommendations:

1. That the minister of the pastorate around Franklinton be paid \$400.00 from the Home Mission Fund of the Conference for the year, 1939-1940; the payments to be as follows: \$100.00 in January, \$100.00 in April, \$100.00 in July, and \$100.00 in October. The money is to be paid by the Treasurer of the Conference on order of the Chairman of the Home Mission Committee with the approval of the President of the Conference.

2. That the pastorate now formed around Franklinton be continued for at least two years with the support of the Conference, not exceeding \$400.00 for the second year. Payments to be handled in the same way and manner as enumerated in Recommendation No. 1.

3. That the minister of the parish be required to submit to the Home Mission Committee, and thence to the Conference, a report on the progress and development of the pastorate during each year of its existence.

4. That at the close of the second year should the report of the minister not be favorable with reference to the growth and development of the individual churches composing the pastorate, the Conference discontinue financial support to the project.

5. That the Conference take some definite steps to further investigate conditions as they may exist with reference to several churches in the Conference which have discontinued, and that this investigation be made by the Executive Committee of the Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

L. L. VAUGHAN, *Chairman*,
A. H. McIVER,
S. E. MADREN,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel" is the command given to the church by the only head of the church; the Lord Jesus Christ.

There are two great reasons why we should seek to give the Gospel unto all the world: First, because our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ commanded us to do so. Second, because "The Gospel of Christ is the power of God unto Salvation to every one that believeth." Since there are countless numbers in many parts of the world who have never heard the Gospel and are therefore lost in sin and without God in the world, the church should seek to carry the Gospel of Christ who is himself, "the way, the truth, and the life," into all parts of the earth.

We, therefore, recommend that the pastors of this Conference consider seriously their position as shepherds or leaders of the flock in this great work.

That the pastors inform themselves and their people as to the various fields of work; the need, and the work that is being done.

That each Sunday school make a monthly offering; and that once a year, preferably about Easter time, a special offering for missions, to enable those who are called of God to carry the message of Salvation to the millions that are lost.

J. A. DENTON,
MRS. E. M. CARTER,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORTS OF WOMAN'S BOARD.

The 27th annual session of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Conference met at the Ingram Congregational-Christian Church on October 10, 1939. Approximately 250 people were present. It was a most inspiring day. The host of people present, the good reports, the kind hospitality of the Ingram Church, and the challenging messages of Miss Ruth Seabury were never-to-be-forgotten experiences.

The success of this Conference, we feel, was due to the untiring efforts of our retiring president, Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, and our other officers and to the good work done by the local societies.

We had a good year in our Conference, even though we did not reach our financial goal. Several new societies were reported and one new society has been organized since Conference. This is very encouraging and from the reports of our District Superintendents at Conference we feel that there will be others organized this coming year.

The discouraging part of our work is the fact that not all of our old societies are functioning. We list seventy-two women's societies in our *Year Book*—but only fifty-four sent in money on their apportionment. We list seventeen young people, seven juniors, fifteen cradle rolls—but only thirteen young people, five juniors and nine cradle rolls reported to our treasurer.

Our District Rallies in the spring were well attended. Rev. F. C. Lester was the speaker for these Rallies and presented the work of our American Board in a splendid way.

Our aims for this coming year are deeper consecration of our members; interesting and enlisting younger women, young people and children; more and better literature; and meeting our financial goal.

Our Conference meets next year with our Liberty (Vance) church. We look forward to a good year's work and a good Conference.

MRS. E. M. CARTER.

Report adopted.

Rev. Samuel H. Leger, Ph. D., spoke of his work in China.

Rev. James L. Foster brought a message of greetings from Dr. J. O. Atkinson. By motion the Secretary was instructed to write to Dr. Atkinson expressing the good wishes and continued prayers of the Conference for him.

After the report of the Entertainment Committee, Conference adjourned to meet at 7:30 tonight.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference was called to order by Mrs. Brookston Eaves, President of the Pilgrim Fellowship.

Prayer by Rev. S. E. Madren.

The young people of Turner's Chapel Church presented a pageant: "The Meaning of the Cross."

Mrs. Brokston Eaves spoke of the "Meaning and Purpose of the Pilgrim Fellowship."

Rev. Samuel H. Leger, Ph. D., spoke of "Present-Day Conditions in China."

An offering was received amounting to \$6.26, to be used by the young people on their project in China.

Conference adjourned.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference was called to order by Vice-President Rev. J. Everett Neese. Song Service conducted by Rev. J. A. Denton.

Devotional Service conducted by Rev. James L. Foster.

Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Rev. Boynton Merrell, D. D., West Newton, Mass.; Rev. Voigt O. Taylor, Southern Pines, N. C.; Rev. Leon E. Smith, D. D., Elon College; and Secretary Frederick L. Fagley, New York City, were introduced to Conference and granted the privilege of the floor.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

Simply preaching the Gospel of Grace in the pulpit does not make an evangelistic church. Our danger is that we shall be satisfied to preach it in the pulpit to the neglect of the lost in the highways and hedges. To have the Gospel and not try to get it to every possible one that needs it means failure to a church as well as a denomination. To take this Gospel in word only, means failure also.

Spiritual power is absolutely necessary to evangelistic success. This power may be had for the asking. Our God who purchased our salvation through the death of his only begotten Son is anxious to qualify and cooperate with every chosen child and make his efforts a success. Prayer gives passion for the lost and directs in winning them to Jesus Christ who is the only source of Salvation. May we remember Proverbs 11: 30, "He that winneth souls is wise"; and Daniel 12: 3, "And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever."

Two hundred and thirty-nine were added to the churches of this Conference on confession of faith during 1938; there have been added this year only 159. We trust God will enable us to do much better next year.

J. E. FRANKS,

R. T. GRISSOM,

Committee.

While the report was pending, Dr. Boynton Merrell addressed the Conference on the subject of Evangelism. Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE.

Times have changed to the extent that not only a few, but many people are living in a restless age. Many have joined, in the practice of unfaithfulness, to the true religion, and to God's Church. They have become irreligious, irreverent toward the things that go to make up true Christianity.

Some who call themselves church members have become materialist, and have forgotten how to be Spiritualist, if they have ever known such, overstepping the bounds of the sanctity of the law, with little, if any, regard for the social standing of the church.

Christ came that not only the people of two thousand years ago might have life, but we this day might have this same life, and might have it more abundantly. This abundant life is to be both personal and social. It is to be had by men through personal relationship with God, through Christ, and we might add by way of preaching His word. It, too, can be had by social relationship one with the other. In its social aspects, it must be mediated upon through that which is called the Kingdom of God, and through Christ our Lord.

It shall go without saying that the church of God should be for anything that is a spiritual uplift to the children of God, whereby they will be able to receive life more abundantly.

Regardless of the changes of the political, economic, social attitudes, and the ideas of humanity, we feel, without fear of criticism, that the religious ideals and the beatitudes of our Lord are the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow. Therefore, we feel that in order to have a progressive church, it must be founded upon that same solid and secure rock that Christ founded it upon when He was in conversation with Peter, and said, "Upon this rock I will build my Church and all Hades shall not prevail against it." This being true we should not try to join the Twentieth Century social affairs too strongly at present, feeling reasonably sure that the social affairs of this day will not stand as securely as the ideals of Christ's Kingdom will through the ages of time.

We condemn war, also the propaganda of war. Not only because it is brutal, but futile as well. When the World War was declared it was said that there was a principle involved, and that principle was democracy. Even though democracy won, we see how futile it was, and what a short time it stood in peace. War is a denial of everything for which Christ and the church stand for. It is, without saying, the world's worst collective sin, and mankind's worst punishment. It challenges the ideals of the Kingdom of our Lord in that it thrives on the falseness of the day, and creates suspicion and hate, and destroys brotherhood, as will our brotherly love. It defeats its own purpose. The Congregational-Christian Church can no longer be indifferent toward war and the ills of the world, but must take a definite stand against these things that have a tendency to tear down the moral's of Jesus the Christ. It must condemn war as an instrument of National and International policy, it must actively and aggressively work for peace, and through the missionary outreach, and the expounding of His word, preach the Gospel so strongly that it will bring peace into the hearts of the church member well as the sinner.

Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That the only solution to the present day evils and war, is in the salvation of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

2. That we will live, teach, and preach Jesus Christ to the world, upholding Him on the Cross, and not preach socialism, nor materialism. Leaving behind to a great extent formality and qualification, and pray to our Heavenly Father that we might, and the world with us might be born again in spirit and in truth. This we feel to be very essential if we would do God's will.

3. That we use our influence in having taught in the public schools as well as the homes, the undefiled religion, and the word of God, that will touch the hearts and the inner soul of man.

4. That we, as God's children, endeavor to instill the seriousness of church membership on the individual more today than ever before.

5. That we demand the respect of the Holy Sabbath day in our community, turning our back to the material things, rather than support them.

6. That we condemn war, which causes bloodshed, and declare a war of peace, that it might prevail the world over.

7. That we go on record as condemning the increasing use of alcoholic beverages, and the seemingly practical immoralities which are spreading rapidly, the world over.

Respectfully submitted,

E. M. POWELL, *Chairman.*

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP.

In I Corinthians 4:2 we read, "Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful." One of the first requirements, then, of stewards, is faithfulness. We are not asked to be successful but to keep at it. In Luke 12:43 are these words, "Who, then is that faithful and wise steward?" Here, then we learn that a steward needs to be wise as well as faithful.

But a steward is set over certain things. In Corinthian 4:1, we have, "stewards of the mysteries of God." Among these mysteries are: the mysteries of the Kingdom of Heaven, Matt. 13:1. The mysteries of the church as the body of Christ, Eph. 3:1-11. The mysteries of the enduring Christ, Col. 1:26, 27. The mystery of how God's likeness is restored to fallen man, I Tim. 3:16. The mystery of the translation of living saints at the coming of the Lord. I Cor. 15:51, 52, I Thess. 4:14-17, and many more. Besides this we are told in Phil. 4:10 to be "stewards of the manifold graces of God." That is grace that is expressed in the word of God in all its many sidedness. Again we learn from Matt. 20, that a steward is over a vineyard, the planting of the Lord and he is to look to the keeping and fruiting of the vineyard. In another place, Luke 16, we find a steward is over his Lord's goods which represents his money.

We learn from these that a steward is expected to be faithful over the word of God, the children of his planting and the money he has intrusted in his care. Another thing we are told is, that a steward by being unfaithful may lose his stewardship. In Luke 16:2, 3, we have these words, "For thou mayest be no longer steward" and "My Lord taketh away from me the stewardship." And every steward must, one day, hear him say, "Give an account of thy stewardship." In the fact of these things, how can we be careless as stewards in all, and over all, to which we have been made caretakers?

We, therefore, recommend:

1. That we, as stewards, be faithful in proclaiming the mysteries of God, and all that concerns the manifold graces as recorded in God's word.

2. That as vineyard-keepers, we watch over His plantings and seek to be used of Him to cause the vineyard to produce "more fruit," that is, to be soul-winners for our Lord.

3. That we be exceedingly careful to use the money which He has intrusted to us to a great blessing in spreading the Gospel and relieving the distressed; never stopping short of the truth..

J. LEE JOHNSON.

Report adopted.

The Chairman appointed the following to prepare a report on Apportionments for the year 1939 and 1940: W. S. Briggs, W. J. Ballentine, James L. Foster, with Rev. F. C. Lester.

The report of the special meeting of Elders to consider the reinstatement of J. C. Cummings to the Gospel Ministry was read and received for record.

REPORT OF ELDERS.

Pursuant to a resolution offered by the Committee on Education and Ministerial Ethics and passed at the last session of Conference November 23, 1939, the elders of Conference met on December 6, 1939 to consider the re-instatement of J. C. Cummings to the full work of the Gospel ministry.

The following were present: Jas. L. Foster, W. C. Wicker, J. Lee Johnson, J. E. Franks, J. E. Neese, F. E. Hyde, J. A. Denton, S. E. Madren, E. M. Carter.

The following were seated as visitors: Dr. L. E. Smith, Rev. H. V. Cox, Rev. John Q. Pugh, Rev. F. C. Lester, Joseph S. Laughran.

After prayer by Dr. L. E. Smith, Rev. J. E. Neese, President of the Eastern North Carolina Conference, stated the object of the meeting.

Mr. Cummings was asked to make a statement.

After considering the matter at some considerable length of time, a motion was made that we re-instate Mr. Cummings to the full Gospel ministry. But a substitute motion was offered and passed as follows: That we, the elders of the Eastern North Carolina Conference, after hearing the case of J. C. Cummings, express our heartfelt sympathy and interest in his case. Yet, in order to safeguard and maintain the high standard set for our ministry, we recommend that he be received on probation with ministerial privileges until such a time as he shall convince the Conference of his sincerity of purpose; and, until such a time as they shall be assured that he is worthy of restoration to the office of an elder in that body. It is further recommended that in order that he might prove the sincerity of his renewed consecration and purpose, his love and loyalty for our church and denomination, that we grant him the privilege to serve those churches as shall call him for the present Conference year.

The meeting adjourned after prayer by Rev. J. E. Franks.

J. E. NEESE, *Chairman*.

E. M. CARTER, *Secretary*.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND STANDING OF THE MINISTRY.

This year Elon College celebrates its fiftieth anniversary. In an effort to pay off the present indebtedness, Alamance County and the city of Burlington are to be commended on behalf of their assistance in the campaign. We recommend that the churches of the Conference be equally zealous and liberal in this respect.

Members of this Conference should encourage their sons and daughters to attend Elon College. The college is our college; we should support it with our prayers, our money and our sons and daughters.

For more training and inspiration, we would recommend that the ordained ministers of our churches continue, when convenient, courses offered in the School of Religion at Duke University. We would especially encourage the attendance of the Pastors School each year. We would encourage the licensed ministers of this Conference to exhaust every effort possible to get a college education, or its equivalent. If this is impossible, we would recommend a course of study for the ministry; and, that he be required to appear before the Committee, standing satisfactory examination before ordination.

Brother M. L. Grissom, Jr., and Brother Cecil Thomas came to your Committee desiring license to preach the Gospel. They being recommended by their home churches and pastors. After personally examining these men, we, your Committee, recommend that, at a convenient session of this Conference they be licensed. Should these young men be called upon to serve churches, your Committee would recommend that they continue preparation for greater service. And, that they should be careful in taking church work, not to let this come between them and their education.

Rev. A. C. Todd, Rev. J. E. McCauley, and Rev. Allyn P. Robinson come to our Conference by letter. We recommend that they be accepted into our fellowship.

Rev. W. A. Grissom, a student at Yale Divinity School, advises us that his church work there is not permanent. He wishes that his license be continued another year.

Rev. E. M. Powell, a licensed minister of this Conference, comes to your Committee with recommendations from Beulah Church, of which he is pastor, for ordination. We recommend the continuation of Brother Powell's license, and that he secure, if possible, a college education before ordination. If he finds this impossible we would recommend that he complete a prescribed course of study, the course being given him by the Committee on Education.

At the last session of Conference a request was made that the elders be asked to comprise a Special Committee to meet to consider the re-instatement of J. C. Cummings into this fellowship. This Committee met at the United Church in

Raleigh, December 6, 1938 and decided to re-instate Brother Cummings on probation. Certain reports have come to your Committee which has brought about investigation leading us to recommend that another meeting of the ministers of the Conference be called by the President to meet at this session to give further consideration to the matter.

We are of the conviction that members of the Biblical Class shall not be licensed until they complete high school; and, that licentiates shall not be eligible for ordination until they hold an A. B. degree from a recognized college.

R. T. GRISSOM,

A. C. TODD,

S. E. MADREN,

Committee.

The acting President asked that the Elders meet in one of the Sunday school rooms at 1:15 P. M.

Dr. C. Rexford Raymond was asked to license Brothers M. L. Grissom, Jr., and Cecil Thomas as probationers to preach the Gospel.

Dr. Leon E. Smith spoke on "Education in the Christian Church and Ministry."

Dr. C. Rexford Raymond licensed M. L. Grissom, Jr., and Cecil Thomas to the Gospel Ministry, as probationers wherever the providence of God might call.

Adjourned for lunch.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order.

Song Service conducted by Rev. J. A. Denton.

Prayer by Dr. C. Rexford Raymond.

Moved and carried that the President appoint a committee to formulate amplified plans on finance; that this committee report to the Executive Committee by mid-year.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE LAY DELEGATES TO THE SOUTHERN CONVENTION.

We nominate the following delegates: A. H. McIver, Sanford; L. L. Vaughan, Raleigh, College Station; K. B. Johnson, Fuquay Springs; W. S. Briggs, Henderson, Route 4; J. A. Kimball, Manson; Margaret Alston, Henderson, Route 1; Ruth Jonson, Raleigh, State Book Store; Mrs. R. L. Boss, Sanford, Route 5; J. F. Hilliard, Cary; Mrs. E. M. Carter, Youngsville; C. D. Horton, Henderson; A. W. Watkins, Wake Forest; W. H. Hudson, Youngsville; E. W. Neville, Chapel Hill; Mrs. Aubrey C. Todd, Sanford; D. E. Culbreth, Hope Mills; W. L. Johnson, Clayton; E. C. Smith, New Hill; E. V. Dickens, Corinth; W. S. Stone, Garner; L. W. Smith, Garner; W. M. Goodwin, Andrew Denton, Louisburg; D. I. Stephenson, Raleigh, Route 4; W. S. Mathews, Sanford; Geo. M. Williams, Raleigh; Mrs. Brookston Eaves, Henderson.

S. E. MADREN,

J. E. FRANKS,

Committee.

The report was received and the above named were elected as delegates to the Southern Convention.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE MINISTERIAL DELEGATES.

We nominate all ordained ministers of the Eastern North Carolina Conference as delegates to the Southern Christian Convention, as we find that we are entitled to more representatives than we have ministers.

K. B. JOHNSON,
J. H. HILLIARD,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Rev. Frederick L. Fagley, D. D., addressed the Conference.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have checked the Treasurer's receipts and disbursements and find them correct.

We recommend that an order be drawn in favor of Rev. E. M. Carter for \$25.00 as salary for the past year.

We recommend payment of account of \$5.95 by the President, Rev. J. E. Neese, for expense past year.

The Treasurer reports that he has collected at this session the sum of \$995.96.

We request that churches paying their apportionments, specify definitely to what department said payments are to be credited. Also, that each apportionment be made in dollars, so as to shorten the statistical table.

We, your Committee, earnestly request our pastors and their churches to strive faithfully to raise their full apportionments and see that all are sent up to the Annual Session of Conference; and properly credited in church letter to the funds for which it was paid.

Your Committee on Finance recommend that our Executive Committee investigate the title and financial value of our churches which are inactive.

We recommend that \$10.00 be paid on expense of Dr. Samuel H. Leger.

JAS. L. FOSTER,
W. H. HUDSON,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON SUPERANNUATION.

Since our apportionments for Superannuation are small and amounts raised are smaller, and the needs increasing, we recommend that each minister of the Conference be urged to use his influence to encourage the churches of his charge to raise the apportionments for Superannuation in full.

We also recommend that all churches be urged to stress the regular Christmas offering for this fund, which amount will be counted on Conference apportionments.

K. B. JOHNSON,
C. D. HORTON,
D. I. STEPHENSON,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We, your Committee on Apportionments recommend that the apportionments for the next year be the same as last year, as printed in the Annual, deleting the names of churches that are not functioning.

We further recommend that Six Forks and Hope Mills be asked by the Promotional Secretary to set for themselves an apportionment and report to the Conference Secretary in time to be printed in the Annual.

W. J. BALLENTINE,
W. S. BRIGGS,
JAS. L. FOSTER,
Committee.

Report adopted.

SCHEDULE OF APPORTIONMENTS—1939.

	Conference Fund	Convention Missions	Foreign Missions	Convention Fund	Elon College	Superannuation Fund	Christian Education	Orphanage	Totals
Amelia	\$ 3	\$ 9	\$ 9	\$ 9	24	\$ 4	2	10	\$ 70
Antioch	5	15	15	15	39	7	4	20	120
Auburn	6	18	18	18	46	9	4	25	142
Bethel	3	9	9	9	24	4	2	10	70
Bethlehem	2	7	7	7	18	3	1	5	50
Beulah	2	8	8	8	21	4	2	10	63
Caroleigh	1	4	4	4	12	2	1	5	33
Cary	2	5	5	5	14	2	1	18	52
Catawba Springs ..	7	21	21	21	54	10	5	135	274
Chapel Hill	5	14	14	14	36	7	3	10	103
Charleston	11	47	47	47	50	8	5	20	235
Christian Light ...	5	15	15	15	39	7	4	25	125
Christian Chapel ..	6	19	19	19	48	9	4	10	134
Clayton	3	12	12	12	30	6	3	10	88
Damascus	5	15	15	15	39	7	4	20	120
Ebenezer	4	14	14	14	36	7	3	30	122
Fuller's Chapel ...	4	14	14	14	36	7	3	30	122
Good Hope	3	11	11	11	29	5	2	5	70
Haye's Chapel	2	7	7	7	18	3	1	15	50
Henderson	7	24	24	24	60	12	6	75	232
Lebanon	2	7	7	7	18	3	2	10	56
Lee's Chapel	2	7	7	7	18	3	1	10	55
Liberty	18	59	59	59	149	29	14	150	537
Martha's Chapel ..	2	7	7	7	18	3	1	10	55
Mebane	2	3	3	3	14	3	1	20	47
Morrisville	2	4	4	4	9	1	1	15	40
Moore's Union	3	10	10	10	25	5	2	10	75
Mt. Auburn	7	24	24	24	60	12	6	125	282
Mt. Carmel	4	12	12	12	30	6	3	20	69
Mt. Gilead	5	18	18	18	45	9	4	5	122
Mt. Hermon	2	7	7	7	18	3	2	35	81
New Elam	9	30	30	30	75	15	7	35	231
New Hope	6	20	20	20	51	10	5	5	137
Niagara	1	3	3	3	9	1	1	5	29
Oak Level	5	18	18	18	45	9	4	35	152
Piney Plains	5	18	18	18	45	9	4	35	152
Pleasant Hill	3	9	9	9	24	4	2	35	95
Pleasant Union ...	6	20	20	20	51	10	5	35	167
Plymouth	3	9	9	9	24	4	2	35	95
Pope's Chapel	4	14	14	14	36	7	3	25	117
Raleigh	9	30	30	30	74	14	7	30	224
Sanford	6	21	21	21	54	10	5	60	198
Shallow Well	8	26	26	26	66	13	6	60	231
Southern Pines	6	21	21	21	54	10	5	10	148
Turner's Chapel ..	3	9	9	9	24	4	2	40	100
Wake Chapel	12	38	38	38	96	19	9	210	460
Wentworth	3	12	12	12	30	6	3	120	198
Youngsville	2	8	8	8	21	4	2	15	68

Total \$ 226 \$ 752 \$ 752 \$ 752 \$1856 \$ 349 \$ 169 \$1728 \$6544

REPORT OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ELDERS.

The Elders, who were asked to consider the case of Rev. J. C. Cummings, met, pursuant to the call of the President, to consider that part of the Report on Education and the Standing of the Ministry, which refers to the re-instatement of Rev. J. C. Cummings to the full work of the Gospel Ministry.

After hearing evidence and deliberation relative to the matter, it was moved and carried that Brother Cummings be continued on probation; and, that if by another act he should prove himself unworthy, that he willingly withdraw from the work of the ministry by surrendering his credentials to the proper authority.

By motion the report of the Elders was approved.

The President appointed the following Special Committee on Finance: Rev. S. E. Madren, Rev. J. E. McCauley, K. B. Johnson, W. J. Ballentine, with Rev. F. C. Lester.

As the Committee on Place has no invitation for the next session of Conference, it was moved and carried that the place for the next session of Conference be left in the hands of the Executive Committee.

By motion the Committee on Memoirs was granted the privilege of arranging their report; the same to be printed in *The Christian Sun*, and that it become a record of this session.

WALTON CRUMP WICKER.

On August 31, 1939, Rev. Walton Crump Wicker passed from this earth to his eternal reward. His going broke a link in the chain of ministerial fellowship in the Eastern North Carolina Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches, and reminds us that earth is not our home.

This son of an illustrious ministerial father made for himself a large place in the councils of this Conference and the Christian Church. For many years he was president of the Eastern North Carolina Conference, and until his death he was president of the North Carolina Conference. As a minister he served many churches and preached with conviction and persuasion.

Most of his life was given to Elon College, where he taught a wide variety of subjects. His heart was in his work and much of his money went into the college, from which he graduated in 1893. He received a Master of Arts degree from Columbia University, and the Doctor of Divinity degree from Union Christian College. He studied at Duke, Chicago, Virginia, and North Carolina Universities.

Dr. Wicker was a leader in the Masonic Fraternity in North Carolina, and was sharing in a Masonic program at the time of his death.

In the passing of Walton Crump Wicker the Congregational-Christian Church has lost one of its most stalwart ministers and educators. His influence is written large in the annals of the Southern Convention and its Conferences. For his faith, loyalty, wisdom, and service we record our grateful appreciation. The words of his own poem written concerning another express in a beautiful way our thoughts concerning him:

"The end of a perfect day" for thee,
Beyond a radiant noon,
A calm reposeful even,
And stars at waning twilight o'er the sea,
The minarets of heaven,

There is the throne of David;
And there from care released,
The shout of them that triumph,
The song of them that feast,

And they who with their Leader,
Have conquered in the fight,
Forever and forever
Are clad in robes of white.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions believe we voice the sentiment of all in attendance at the One Hundred and Fourteenth Annual Session of the Eastern North Carolina Conference in session at Turner's Chapel Church, when we say that each day and each session has been filled with information, inspiration, mastery, and challenge. We feel a greater impetus to do the Master's will in our local church has pervaded our Conference. Therefore, we, your Committee, offer the following resolutions:

1. That we express our appreciation to Rev. J. E. Neese, Acting President, and his co-executive officers for making and executing such a splendid program.

2. That we urge our churches to undertake to carry out the actions of the Conference as much as possible, especially in their relationship to teaching temperance, preventing war, supporting the Orphanage, Elon College, Missions, Christian Education, raising Conference apportionments, and that each church strive to develop a year around evangelistic program.

3. That we express our appreciation for each of those who delivered addresses challenging us to better service of our Lord and His Church. We especially appreciate the presence and addresses of Dr. Samuel H. Leger, Dr. Boynton Merrell and Dr. F. L. Fagley.

4. That a rising vote of thanks be given to the pastor and members of Turner's Chapel and community for the cordial welcome and hospitality shown while in their midst; and, also for the pageant rendered on Tuesday night.

5. That the churches be urged to use our Promotional Secretary whenever needed, in securing ministers, working out a stewardship program, helping devise better methods for raising the Conference apportionments; and a well-rounded evangelistic program.

J. E. FRANKS,
W. S. BRIGGS,
MARGARET ALSTON,
Committee.

The President-Elect, Rev. S. E. Madren, appointed Standing Committees as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Executive—S. E. Madren, E. M. Carter, A. C. Todd.

Educational and Standing of the Ministry—A. C. Todd, J. E. McCauley, R. T. Grissom.

Christian Education—J. E. McCauley, J. E. Neese, C. Rexford Raymond.

Superannuation—K. B. Johnson, C. Rexford Raymond, J. L. Foster.

Foreign Missions—Allyn P. Robinson, Mrs. R. L. Ross, E. M. Powell.

Home Missions—L. L. Vaughan, A. H. McIver, Ally P. Robinson.

Apportionments—R. T. Grissom, W. J. Ballentine, A. H. McIver.

Stewardship—J. A. Denton, R. T. Grissom, M. T. Sorrell.

Evangelism—J. Lee Johnson, J. L. Foster, J. E. Franks.

Social Service—J. E. Franks, B. J. Howard, M. L. Grissom, Jr.

Historian—Cecil Thomas.

Program—E. M. Carter, J. E. McCauley, S. E. Madren, A. C. Todd.

Finance—E. M. Powell, W. S. Briggs, W. H. Hudson.

Religious Literature—Miss Margaret Alston, Cecil Thomas, Mrs. A. C. Todd.

Moved and carried that the minutes be printed in the Annual, and that we purchase seventy-five copies to be mailed, one each to every pastor, one to each committee chairman, and one to each church secretary.

By motion Conference adjourned to meet on Tuesday after the third Sunday in November, -940, at 10:00 A. M. The place to be designated by the Executive Committee.

J. EVERETT NEESE, *Acting President*.
EMORY M. CARTER, *Secretary*.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

Carter, E. M. (Licensed, 1898; ordained, 1900)—Sermons, 102; conversions, not recorded; members received, 21; baptisms, 19; visits, 508; marriages, 3; funerals, 17. Salary \$892.00

Cummings, J. C. (Ordained, 1924)—Sermons, 92; professions, 9; members received, 8; baptisms, 1; visits, many; marriages, 1; funerals, 18. Salary, \$329.

Denton, J. A.—Sermons, 100; conversions, 24; members received, 20; baptisms, 15; marriages, 5; funerals, 12. Salary, \$1,200.

Foster, Jas. L. (Licensed, 1882; ordained, 1886)—Sermons, 94; baptisms, 1; visits, 185; funerals, 3. Salary, \$349.

Franks, Jessie E. (Licensed, 1914; ordained, 1915)—Supply, as voice will permit. Conversions, many; funerals, 2.

Grissom, R. T. (Licensed, 1930; ordained, 1932)—Sermons, 132; addresses, 3; conversions, unknown; members received, 37; baptisms, 32; marriages, 2; funerals, 2. Salary, \$1,000.

Howard, B. J. (Licensed, 1916; ordained, 1920)—Sermons, 2; addresses, several; marriages, 3; funerals, several. Employed as State Parole Supervisor.

Johnson, J. Lee (Licensed, 1910; ordained, 1911)—Sermons, 140; professions, 60; members received, 24; baptisms, 32; marriages, 2; funerals, 6. Salary, \$1,250.

Madren, S. E. (Licensed, 1926; ordained, 1929)—Sermons, 143; conversions, 47; members received, 61; baptisms, 49; visits, 500; marriages, 10; funerals, 14. Salary, \$1,500.

Neese, J. Everette (Licensed, 1933; ordained, 1936)—Sermons, 95; addresses, 9; conversions, 16; baptisms, 4; visits, 320; marriages, 4; funerals, 1. Salary, \$1,290.

Raymond, C. Rexford (Ordained, 1900. Churches are in Eastern Virginia Conference)—Sermons, 93; addresses, 24; conversions, 18; members received, 30; baptisms, 27; visits, 450; marriages, 1; funerals, 9. Salary, \$1,040.

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Powell, E. M. (Licensed, 1938)—Sermons, 37; addresses, 2; conversions, 24; members received, 26; baptisms, 23 (done by another); visits, 88. Salary, \$102. 87.

Minutes of the Forty-Eighth Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Missionary Association.

WAVERLY CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
DECEMBER 5, 1939.

MORNING SESSION.

The Forty-Eighth Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Missionary Association was called to order by Rev. Jesse H. Dollar, President, at 10:30 o'clock. The Song Service was conducted by Rev. J. F. Morgan, and Rev. George Olejar led the Devotionals.

The report of the Executive Committee was read by Rev. T. Fred Wright, and was adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Committee executed note for \$210.00 for the Little Creek Church. Your Committee met October 16 to consider a place of meeting after the Elm Avenue Church notified us they could not entertain the Christian Missionary Association this year. The invitation from Waverly Church was accepted. Met on November 20 to draft program for the Association. We submit the program as printed with such changes as the Association sees fit to make.

Respectfully submitted,

T. FRED WRIGHT, *Secretary.*

Rev. Robert Lee House, Secretary, called a roll of churches. Delegates and visitors were recognized.

The Treasurer's Report was read and adopted, as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1938		RECEIPTS.	
Dec.	7	Balance in Bank	\$ 31.44
1939			
Dec.	7	Deposited	979.00
	15	Shelton Church	30.00
	22	Holland Church, Sunday School	20.00
Jan.	3	Dr. Elwood W. Jones	2.00
Sept.	22	Windsor Men's Bible Class and Ladies S. S. Class	20.00
		Total receipts	\$1,082.44

1938		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Dec.	6	J. H. Warren, rent for meeting place	\$ 10.00
	19	J. F. Morgan, for Little Creek Church	15.00
		J. F. Morgan, for lot	100.00
		Expense for exchange of pulpits	17.25
		Joe A. French, expense account	4.50
		South Norfolk Church, note on indebtedness	275.00
		Newport News Church, mortgage indebtedness ..	275.00
		Bethlehem (Disputanta), for Sunday school room	50.00
		For removal of Sarem Church to Little Creek ...	300.00

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Oct.	7	Robertson Hardware Co., interest on note for Little Creek	2.63	
Nov.	3	West & Withers, interest on note for Little Creek	6.18	
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Balance on December 5, 1939			\$	27.88

JAMES JONES, *Treasurer*.

Rev. Joe A. French enrolled the members and collected the dues.

REPORT OF FINANCIAL SECRETARY.

Berea, Norfolk—Sunday School, \$10; Men's Bible Class, \$10; Mrs. F. N. Hall, \$5. Total, \$25.

Berea, Nansemond—Men's Bible Class, \$10.

Bethlehem Congregational—Church, \$5; Miss Ruby Konac, \$5. Total, \$10.

Bethlehem—Ladies' Aid, \$10.

Christian Temple—Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, \$10; Church, \$10; Church Mission Treasurer, \$10; Sunday School, \$10; Sunday School Mission Treasurer, \$10; Woman's Council, \$20; Twiddy Bible Class, \$10; Friendship Bible Class, \$10; Dorcas Class, \$10; Templemen's Bible Class, \$10; F. M. Brewer, \$10; T. E. Brickhouse, \$10; Mrs. E. M. Albright (Honor of M. J. W. White), \$10; Mrs. T. E. Brickhouse, \$5; Mrs. A. B. Jarvis (Memorial to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ely), \$5; Mrs. L. W. Stagg, \$5; Mrs. R. B. Wood (Memorial to Mrs. Hattie Savage), \$5. Total, \$160.

First, Norfolk—Rev. J. H. Knight, \$10; Ladies' Bible Class, \$5. Total \$15.

First, Portsmouth—Rev. R. L. House, \$10; Church, \$10; Sunday School, \$10; Missionary Society, \$10. Total \$40.

Holland—Church, \$10; Sunday School, \$10; Mrs. R. H. Reidel, \$5. Total, \$25.

Holy Neck—Church, \$10; Sunday School, \$10; Baraca and Philathea Class, \$10. Total, \$30.

Liberty Spring—Rev. I. W. Johnson, \$10; Church, \$10; Sunday School, \$10; A. H. Savage Class, \$10; Bertie Johnson Class, \$10; R. E. Rogers Class, \$10; Friendship Bible Class, \$10; I. T. Byrd, \$10; Joel E. Harrell, \$10; Mrs. Joel E. Harrell, \$5; Mrs. I. W. Johnson, \$5; Mrs. F. F. Brinkley, \$5; Mrs. G. O. O'Berry, \$5. Total, \$110.

Newport News—Rev. J. H. Dollar, \$10; Church, \$10; Sunday School, \$10; Choir, \$10; Woman's Auxiliary, \$20; Men's Bible Class, \$10; Golden Rule Bible Class, \$10; Annie Smith Bible Class, \$10; R. L. Baker, \$10; J. E. Pope, \$10; J. T. Irby, \$10; Charles E. Heath, \$10; C. D. West, \$10; Mrs. W. H. Baker, \$5; Mrs. R. L. Baker, \$5; Mrs. W. B. Baker, \$5; Mrs. J. T. Irby, \$5; Mrs. R. C. Jarrett, \$5; Mrs. R. E. Pulley, \$5; Mrs. F. W. Vaughan, \$5; Mrs. G. G. Givens, \$5; Mrs. J. E. Rich, \$5. Total, \$185.

Oakland—Sunday School, \$10.

Ocean View—Rev. Joe A. French, \$10.

Rosemont—Rev. J. F. Morgan, \$10; Church, \$10; Men's Bible Class, \$10; Mrs. O. S. Mills (Memorial to Mrs. B. F. Gibson), \$5; Mrs. Ruth M. Smith, \$5. Total, \$40.

South Norfolk—Sunday School, \$10; Ladies' Bible Class, \$10. Total, \$20.

Suffolk—Rev. John G. Truitt, \$10; Church, \$10; Sunday School, \$20; Ladies' Benevolent and Social Union, \$20; Philathea Class, \$20; Junior Philathea Class, \$10; Baraca Class, \$10; Woman's Missionary Society, \$10; W. W. Staley Missionary Society, \$10; W. S. Beamon, \$10; D. L. Harrell, \$10; H. H. Holland, \$10; J. E. Vincent, \$10; J. E. West, \$10; Mrs. C. A. Shoop, \$10; Mrs. J. D. MacClenny, \$5; Mrs. C. B. Duke, \$5; Mrs. G. W. Nurney, \$5; Mrs. Annie S. Calhoun, \$5; Mrs. J. M. Darden, \$5; Miss Jamie Felton, \$5; Mrs. W. V. Leathers, \$5; Mrs. A. T. Holland, \$5. Total, \$220.

Waverly—Sunday School, \$10; Sara Johnson Class, \$10; R. T. West (Memorial to Mrs. West), \$5; Victor Bible Class and Ladies' Aid, \$10; Mrs. Ella V. Gray, \$5. Total, \$40.

Windsor—Ladies' Bible Class, \$10; Men's Bible Class, \$10. Total, \$20.
Grand total, \$980.

JOE A. FRENCH, *Financial Secretary*.

The President appointed the following committees:

Press—Rev. John G. Truitt.

Nominations—Rev. J. F. Morgan, Rev. W. B. O'Neil, Mrs. Annie Staley Calhoun, Mrs. W. Pearson.

Place—Miss Edna Fulcher.

There was a solo led by O. D. Poythress.

The Associational Sermon was given by Rev. I. W. Johnson, D. D., on "Bigger Barns and Bigger Churches."

Adjournment for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The afternoon session was called to order by Rev. Jesse H. Dollar. Rev. O. D. Poythress conducted a Hymn Service. Rev. W. B. O'Neil, D. D., conducted the Worship Service, and used as his theme: "Mending Our Nets."

There were reports of churches receiving aid from the Christian Missionary Association. The following resolutions from the Newport News Church were read and received:

RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION.

The First Congregational-Christian Church of Newport News, Va., in appreciation of the constant and generous aid received from the Christian Missionary Association through the years of the history of the church, offers the following summary and resolutions:

The Newport News Church was organized in North Newport News in 1901, and was a project of the Christian Missionary Association. After some effort there, it was found that a majority of those interested lived in East Newport News. A Sunday school was organized, and by the help of Col. J. E. West a minister, Dr. N. G. Newman, was secured and his salary paid by Col. West. After the lapse of some three or four years the church in North End was closed and the membership transferred to East End. When the work was combined it was no longer necessary for Col. West to continue his personal assistance, but the church owes much to him. The C. M. A. did continue its assistance, and in every sense of the word the Newport News Church is the child of the C. M. A.

The First Congregational-Christian Church of Newport News now has a membership of 387 built into a well-rounded organization that is working well. The church and equipment is valued at \$30,000.00, with an indebtedness on the new church building of \$4,600.00. The present church is the third building to house the organization.

Since the time has come when the church can carry on its work and liquidate its indebtedness without the help of the C. M. A., and since other churches in the Conference are under heavy burdens, we relinquish our claim for aid and Resolve:

1. That we extend a rising vote of thanks to the C. M. A. and pledge ourselves to an earnest effort to prove worthy of the confidence which has been expressed through their gifts of more than \$10,000.00 to our church. That we give a like expression of gratitude to Col. J. E. West.

2. That in order that other churches may be sustained as we have been, we endeavor to maintain a large number of memberships in our church, and in that manner show, in some degree, our deep appreciation for the most generous and loyal support of the Christian Missionary Association.

MRS. HAZEL H. PULLEY, *Sec'y.*

JESSE H. DOLLAR, *Pastor.*

MR. C. D. WEST, *Messenger.*

Rev. T. Fred Wright, Vice-President, was called to the chair to preside over the Association. Rev. B. H. Watkins discussed "Missionary Needs of Our Conference." Rev. W. H. Garmon presented "The Missionary Opportunities of Our Conference."

The report of Committee on Plans was presented and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLANS.

We recommend the following appropriations:

1. \$300.00 to Richmond Church on Pastor's Salary.

2. \$583.00 to Little Creek Church as follows: \$318.00 to J. N. Apperson to complete purchase payment for lot and secure and record deed, under the supervision of J. F. Morgan, President of the Eastern Virginia Conference; \$5.00 to cover expense of recording said deed; \$210.00 to pay note due Robertson Hardware Co., Portsmouth, Va., for roofing the church; \$50.00 on pastor's salary, payable semi-annually.

3. \$75.00 to South Norfolk on note of indebtedness, the other appropriations and expenses having priority.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. WEST,

MRS. I. W. JOHNSON,

MRS. JOEL E. HARRELL,

J. F. MORGAN,

J. H. WARREN,

Committee.

The report of the Finance Committee was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, the members of the Finance Committee, submit the following report:

We have examined the report of the Treasurer for 1939 and find it correct as read. We have checked the Financial Secretary's report and find it correct. A total of \$980.00 was received.

We recommend the payment of the following bills:

T. Fred Wright, stamps and stationery	\$ 1.15
R. Lee House, expense	1.00
J. H. Dollar, stamps, stencils, etc.	3.80

Total\$ 5.95

The Financial Secretary checked with the Treasurer the amount received against his report and vouchers for the amount of \$980.00 which he turned over to the Treasurer, Mr. J. C. Jones.

Respectfully submitted,

JOE A. FRENCH,

H. S. HARDCASTLE,

O. D. POYTHRESS,

Committee.

The report on Nominations was received, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee, submit the following nominations:

President—Rev. Jesse H. Dollar.

Vice-President—Rev. T. Fred Wright.

Financial Secretary—Rev. Joe A. French.

Recording Secretary—Miss Edna Fulcher.

Treasurer—James C. Jones.

J. F. MORGAN,

C. D. WEST,

WM. B. O'NEIL,

Committee.

The report of the Resolutions Committee was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

1. That we, the Christian Missionary Association, express thanks to the pastor and church for the fine hospitality.

2. That we express our gratitude to Rev. George Olejar, Dr. W. B. O'Neil, Dr. I. W. Johnson, Rev. O. D. Poythress, and Mrs. I. W. Johnson for the fine service they rendered.

3. We express our thanks to the officers for the fine work they have done through the year and to everyone making any contribution to the Association.

B. H. WATKINS,

ANNIE STALEY CALHOUN,

MRS. W. PEARSON,

Committee.

Expressions of deep regret at the passing of J. E. Vincent, long a member of the Christian Missionary Association were voiced from the floor. The President appointed Mrs. Annie Staley Calhoun and Mrs. W. V. Leathers as a Special Committee to draw up resolutions in memory of B. D. Jones. The report follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Whereas, our Heavenly Father, in His infinite wisdom and love, has called our beloved former Treasurer and fellow-mmembers, Mr. Brock D. Jones, to his eternal home, and

Whereas, our faithful co-worker distinguished himself and honored the Christian Missionary Association by his consistent life, his unflinching loyalty to the cause of Christ and his thirty years of service as Treasurer, and

Whereas, the Christian Missionary Association desires to record some expression of appreciation of his useful life,

Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we bow in humble submission to the will of God, who, in His wise providence, doeth all things well, giving thanks to Him for such a consistent, faithful and useful life, devoted to the church and consecrated to the cause of Christ.

2. That we express our deepest sympathy to his wife and family, assuring them of our mutual sorrow in this sad bereavement, and commend to them His sustaining grace.

3. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one entered upon the records of the Association and one sent to *The Christian Sun* for publication.

Done by order of the Christian Missionary Association in regular session December 5, 1939.

ANNIE STALEY CALHOUN,

MAMIE H. LEATHERS,

Committee.

A motion was made by Rev. J. F. Morgan that the Christian Missionary Association meet on Tuesday after the third Sunday in September. A substitute motion was made by Mr. C. D. West to defer this matter until our next regular meeting. The substitute motion was passed.

The report of the Committee on Place was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE.

An invitation has been extended by the Little Creek Church that the Christian Missionary Association meet with them in 1940. The eating arrangements will of necessity be on a different plan as is the custom. People attending will take their lunch with them, and the church will serve hot coffee. Your Committee recommends acceptance of invitation.

EDNA FULCHER.

President Jesse H. Dollar appointed the following Standing Committees:

Executive—J. H. Dollar, T. Fred Wright, Joe A. French, James C. Jones, Edna Fulcher.

Membership—John G. Truitt, O. D. Poythress, W. B. O'Neil.

Plans—Col. J. E. West, H. S. Hardcastle, J. F. Morgan, Mrs. I. W. Johnson, Mrs. J. E. Harrell.

Finance—Joe A. French, Robert Lee House, Arnold Slater.

In the absence of Rev. R. E. Brittle, who was on the program for the closing inspirational address, the Christian Missionary Association was closed with the benediction.

JESSE H. DOLLAR, *President*.

ROBERT LEE HOUSE, *Secretary*.

Minutes of the Seventh Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference Missionary Association.

SALEM CHAPEL CONGREGATIONAL-CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
WALNUT COVE, N. C., SEPTEMBER 19, 1939.

MORNING SESSION.

The Seventh Annual Session of the Christian Missionary Association of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference met with the Salem Chapel Church, Tuesday, September 19, 1939, with forty-six members and visitors present. The meeting was called to order at 10:15 A. M. by the President, Dr. W. M. Jay.

The opening worship service was conducted by Rev. G. H. Veazey, who read the 103rd Psalm. The prayer was offered by Rev. B. J. Earp.

The Welcome Address was very ably given by Mr. Vance Marshall, and the Response was given by Rev. W. J. Andes.

The President appointed the following Special Committees to serve for the session:

Nominations—Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, Miss Vera Gerringer, Mrs. Arthur Powell.

Resolutions—Rev. J. L. Neese, Mrs. Pauline Murray, Rev. B. J. Earp.

Apportionments—Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, Mr. Vance Marshall Mr. E. B. Rascoe.

Finance—Rev. W. E. Wisseman, Miss Franky Marshall Rev. W. J. Andes.

Place—Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Rev. G. H. Veazey, Rev. Melvin Dollar.

The Financial Secretary reported as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCIAL SECRETARY.

Apple's Chapel—Five memberships by the church.

Belews Creek—The church.

Berea—Rev. G. C. Crutchfield for 1937-38.

Bethlehem—Miss Ida Simpson, 1937-38, 1938-39; Ladies Aid Society, 1937-38; the church.

Burlington—Miss Ella Rae Carroll, Mr. J. H. McEwen, Mr. D. J. Fitch, Mr. J. M. Fix, Miss Sadie Fonville, Mr. D. R. Fonville, Miss Jewel Hatch, Mr. C. T. Holt, Mr. Garland Huff, Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, Rev. J. H. Lightbourne, Dr. C. W. McPherson, Mr. E. B. Rascoe, Mr. M. Z. Rhodes, Mr. W. R. Sellars, Mr. J. D. Strader, Miss Mettie Sutton, Mr. W. H. Trolinger, Mr. Herman Truitt, the Woman's Bible Class, Dr. R. A. Wilkins, Mr. D. E. Sellars, Mrs. W. W. Sellars, Mrs. C. F. Neese, Miss Ethel Truitt, Mr. J. P. Montgomery.

Durham—Philathea Class, Board of Deacons, Rev. Stanley C. Harrell, Mrs. J. H. Massey.

Elon College—President L. E. Smith, Rev. J. O. Atkinson, Mrs. J. O. Atkinson, Mrs. F. C. Lester, Mrs. E. B. Huffines.

Greensboro, First—Woman's Missionary Society, Rev. W. E. Wisseman, Mr. W. B. Truitt, Philathea Class, Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Mrs. Cora Anthony.

Greensboro, Palm Street—Christian Endeavor Society, Mrs. Eugene Cross, Rev. M. A. Pollard.

Happy Home—The church.

Hines Chapel—Mr. A. D. Gerringer for 1937-38, Mrs. A. D. Gerringer for 1937-38-39, Mr. Holt Gerringer for 1937-38-39, Miss Vera Gerringer for 1937-38-39.

Ingram—Kent Bible Class, Rev. B. J. Earp.

Long's Chapel—Bible Class.

New Lebanon—Woman's Missionary Society for 1937-38-39.

Pleasant Ridge—\$1.00 from the church.

Reidsville—The church, Neese's Bible Class, Rev. J. L. Neese, Mrs. D. E. Mitchell, the Woman's Auxiliary.

Salem Chapel—Sunday School, Missionary Society, Christian Endeavor.

Union, N. C.—Sunday School.

Union, Va.—Rev. C. E. Newman.

Winston-Salem—Rev. W. M. Jay, Woman's Missionary Society.

Pastorate One—Rev. G. H. Veazey.

Cash Gift—Mr. E. B. Rascoe, Burlington, \$2.00.

North Carolina and Virginia Conference—\$375.00.

Note—\$50.00.

RECEIPTS.

Eighty-one memberships	\$ 405.00
Cash	3.00
Note	50.00
North Carolina and Virginia Conference	375.00
Rev. F. C. Lester, Mt. Bethel Church (Membership)	5.00
Rev. M. A. Pollard, Palm Street, Greensboro (Membership)	5.00
Apple's Chapel Church (Membership)	25.00

Total Receipts as of December 1, 1939 \$ 868.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Treasurer E. B. Rascoe	\$ 685.00
To Treasurer Herman Truitt	100.00
To Expense	2.00
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	787.00

Balance in Hand as of December 1, 1939 \$ 81.00

There are fourteen unpaid 1938-39 memberships.

JAMES H. LIGHTBOURNE,
Financial Secretary.

The report was referred to the Finance Committee.

Mrs. E. B. Huffines, Elon College, resigned her membership.

Mr. E. B. Rascoe, Treasurer, reported as follows:

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

SEPTEMBER 20, 1938 TO SEPTEMBER 18, 1939.

September 20, 1938—Balance from 1937-38 \$ 142.84
1938

RECEIPTS.

Nov. 13	J. H. Lightbourne, Financial Secretary	25.00
Dec. 1	J. H. Lightbourne, Financial Secretary	45.00
30	J. H. Lightbourne, Financial Secretary	25.00
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Jan. 25	J. H. Lightbourne, Financial Secretary	225.00
July 3	J. H. Lightbourne, Financial Secretary	25.00
Aug. 2	J. H. Lightbourne, Financial Secretary	50.00

Sept. 15	J. H. Lightbourne, Financial Secretary	248.00
18	J. H. Lightbourne, Financial Secretary	27.00
Total Receipts		\$ 827.84

DISBURSEMENTS FOR 1938-39.

Winston-Salem Church, 12 checks at \$25.00 each	\$ 300.00	
Pastorate One, 12 checks at \$15.00 each	180.00	
Reidsville Church, by check	50.00	
E. B. Rascoe, Treasurer, payment of note in full	50.00	
	<hr/>	580.00
Balance in Bank	\$ 247.84	

E. B. RASCOE, *Treasurer.*

The report was referred to the Finance Committee. The Association voted to extend its thanks to the Treasurer for advancing the Christian Missionary Association \$50.00.

Pastors of the three pastorates assisted by the Association during the year, gave very interesting and encouraging reports from their respective fields: Pastorate One, Rev. G. H. Veazey; Reidsville, Rev. J. L. Neese; Winston-Salem, Rev. W. M. Jay, D. D.

A motion was made, and passed, that the meeting adjourn at twelve noon for lunch; and that the address scheduled to be given by Rev. J. L. Neese before noon, be given as first item after lunch.

Benediction given by Rev. M. A. Pollard.

Lunch served on church grounds by the ladies of the host church.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Meeting called to order at 1:30 by the President, Dr. Jay.

Prayer led by Rev. Melvin Dollar.

Rev. J. L. Neese gave a very fine address on the subject: "Christians As Sent Ones."

The congregation joined in singing a hymn.

Rev. F. C. Lester addressed the group on the subject: "This Church of Ours and Its Work."

The Finance Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, the Finance Committee, have examined the records of the Financial Secretary and of the Treasurer of the Christian Missionary Association and find them to be correct.

W. E. WISSEMAN,
FRANKYE MARSHALL,
W. J. ANDES,

Committee.

This report was adopted.

The Committee on Apportionments reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We recommend the following grants: (1) To Pastorate Group One, \$30.00 to be met in two equal monthly payments of \$15.00 each; (2) Winston-Salem, \$270.00 to be met in twelve monthly payments of \$22.50; (3) To Pastorate

Group Two, \$300.00 to be met in twelve monthly payments of \$25.00; (4) To Gibsonville, \$500.00 in three annual payments of \$150.00, with the balance of \$50.00 to be paid at a time convenient to the Association within the three years.

E. B. RASCOE,
H. V. MARSHALL,
J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,

Committee.

The report was adopted.

Address by Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, subject: "Supporting the Christian Missionary Association."

At the close of the address, three new members were received into the Association.

A motion was made, and passed, that the Home Mission Committee of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference be asked to work out some plan for an exchange of pulpits by the pastors on some Sunday of the year in the interest of the Christian Missionary Association.

Mrs. C. H. Rowland reported for the Committee on Place, recommending that the next meeting be held with the Reidsville Church. It was voted to meet at Reidsville next year.

The Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

RESOLVED:

1. That we express, by rising vote, our gratitude to the pastor, members, and friends of the Salem Chapel Church for the sumptuous spread at the noon hour.

2. That we thank the officers, committees, and speakers for their services.

3. That each pastor not only become a member of the Christian Missionary Association, but urge the members and organizations of his church to do so.

J. L. NEESE,
PAULINE MURRAY,
B. J. EARP,

Committee.

The report was adopted by a rising vote.

Report of the Nominating Committee was given as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

President—Rev. W. M. Stevens.

Vice-President—Rev. M. A. Pollard.

Secretary—Rev. Melvin Dollar.

Financial Secretary—Dr. J. H. Lightbourne.

Treasurer—H. N. Truitt.

G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,
MRS. ARTHUR POWELL,
MISS VERA GERRENGER,

Committee.

The report was adopted and the nominees elected.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet with Reidsville Christian Church, Tuesday after the third Sunday of September, 1940.

The Benediction was given by Dr. W. M. Jay.

W. M. JAY, *President*,
Winston-Salem, N. C.

W. MILLARD STEVENS, *Secretary*,
Burlington, N. C.

Fourteenth Regular Session of the Woman's Missionary Convention.

WHITLEY MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM, ELON COLLEGE, N. C.,
APRIL 18 AND 19, 1939.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Woman's Missionary Convention of the Southern Convention of Congregational-Christian Churches met in its 14th regular session, and in the absence of the President, Mrs. John G. Truitt, the meeting was called to order by the Vice-President, Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, at 2:00 o'clock.

Following the singing of a hymn, prayer was offered by Mrs. Harrell.

The following pastors and visitors were recognized: W. E. Wisseman, W. C. Wicker, G. C. Crutchfield, L. E. Smith, H. C. Pollard, W. J. Andes, S. C. Harrell, W. M. Jay, G. H. Veazey, C. Rexford Raymond, F. C. Lester, and Miss Mary D. Uline.

Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College, extended a gracious welcome to the Convention.

Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, Chairman of the Program Committee, presented the printed program as the order of business. It was moved and carried that it be adopted, subject to such revisions as may be necessary.

The President announced the following committees:

Finance—Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Miss Verdie Showalter.

Recommendations—Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, Mrs. J. M. Harris, Mrs. K. H. Sale.

Revision of the Constitution (Standing)—Mrs. J. A. Williams, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mrs. L. W. Stagg, Mrs. John G. Truitt, Mrs. Carl Key, Mrs. W. V. Leathers.

Nominations—Mrs. E. R. Bryant, Jr., Mrs. Hubert Harrell, Mrs. C. H. Rowland.

Resolutions of Courtesy—Mrs. H. Shelton Smith, Mrs. Roy Caveness, Miss Minnie Dofflemeyer, Mrs. Wesley Rountree.

The report of the North Carolina State Conference was given by Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, President, as follows:

NORTH CAROLINA WOMAN'S MISSION CONFERENCE.

As I look back over the past twelve months I am arrested by the realization of time as an opportunity. Much can take place in one brief year of time!

It has been the endeavor of the North Carolina Woman's Mission Conference that the year which has passed since we met in Portsmouth, Va., should be characterized by constructive accomplishment in the Kingdom of God. Not all we hoped for has come to pass, but we have faith to overcome discouragement, and a will to "keep on carrying on."

We have had many privileges of fellowship and inspiration during the year. Our annual meeting occurred at Park's Cross Roads Christian Church, with the Ramseur Church assisting, on October 4, 1938. This conference enjoyed glori-

ous weather, a record attendance not only of our women but of our ministers, many fine reports and an interesting and informative address by Mrs. Mildred Hess, American College, Madura, India. In a ceremony beautifully conducted by Mrs. O. H. Paris, three societies were recognized, having reached the Standard of Excellence, Winston-Salem, Palm Street (Greensboro), and Durham.

North Carolina sent its president to the Lake Winnepesaukee School of Leadership Training the past summer. Two other officers of the conference also attended this school, Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, Superintendent of Young People, and Miss Tora Rudd, Superintendent of Alamance District. These three gave reports to the annual meeting.

Several days of mission study were observed over the conference during the winter months, in which a number of churches participated. Mrs. Wisseman presented Miss Ruth Seabury's book *Dinabandhu* in Greensboro, Burlington, and Winston-Salem; Mrs. Paul Rudd (nee Alice Barrett) presented *The City Church* in Burlington. Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne reviewed *Dinabandhu* at Henderson, Durham, and Ingram.

The seven spring rallies of North Carolina were held March 21 to 30, with the theme "A New Song." On the program there was provided time for a presentation and discussion of our Standard of Excellence. These were led by Mrs. O. H. Paris, Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, Mrs. Everett Neese, Mrs. F. C. Lester and Miss Tora Rudd. The opinion is that we may not realize the benefit in our records this year, but more societies will reach the standard next year. Dr. Atkinson provided a splendid address entitled "The Old and the New." Mr. F. C. Lester, Promotional Secretary, addressed each of the rallies on the subject: "What We Are Trying to Do," and the information he was able to give broadened our conception of our work on the various mission fields and inspired us to more devoted endeavor.

We have not had the response with the use of the new report blanks for which the Convention Board hoped. Our work could be so much more effective if local officers would be really conscientious in the matter of prompt reports.

Since April, 1938, our treasurer has received \$4,145.27, and remitted to the Convention Treasurer, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, \$3,997.73. Last year, October, 1937 to October, 1938, forty-seven Woman's Societies, ten Young People's, six Willing Workers', and seven Cradle Rolls reported to our treasurer.

We have accepted an invitation to meet with the Ingram Church in October, 1939.

I wish to acknowledge my gratitude to a loyal board of capable officers. Psalm 90: "Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us; and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it."

MRS. J. H. LIGHTBOURNE, *President*.

Report of the Cradle Roll Department, prepared by Mrs. B. D. Jones, was read by the Secretary, as follows:

CRADLE ROLL DEPARTMENT.

"Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for such is the Kingdom of God."

Remember that Jesus took time to think about the babies and likened the Kingdom of Heaven to a little child.

When we think about all the cradles of the world, let us remember that mothers everywhere are caring for their babies according to the light they have. And so may we as American mothers be willing to give of our means with our prayers to send more light to the mothers and babies across the sea.

The Christian mothers and fathers of America are the ones to make it possible for the fathers and mothers of the world to hear His voice as he stands at the door and knocks. In the home and while the baby is small is the time when mother should do her part and do it so thoroughly that, like the mother of

Moses, she will be able to trust her child with others and feel that she has done her part well.

Are we as mothers and officers of this Convention doing our part today?

Eastern Virginia Conference, Mrs. F. A. Epps, Superintendent, twenty-two societies, 426 members, seventy-six promoted, sixty new members, amount raised, \$111.41.

North Carolina Conference, Mrs. M. W. Hook, Superintendent, fifteen societies, about 175 members, amount raised, \$135.00.

Valley of Virginia Conference, Miss Amy Louderback, Superintendent, five societies, seventy-five members, one new society, amount raised, \$17.50.

Total: forty-two societies, 676 members, amount raised, \$236.91.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. B. D. JONES, *Superintendent*.

Report of the Superintendent of Young People, was read by Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, as follows:

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT.

Eastern Virginia Conference, twenty-eight groups (twenty-six last year), twenty-one Juniors.

Valley of Virginia, five groups (four last year).

North Carolina and Virginia, seventeen groups (fourteen last year), seven Juniors.

Eastern Virginia young people have a Missionary Conference each fall. Last fall they had it the evening following the Woman's Meeting, using the same speakers. This conference is well attended and helps to create interest among the young people for missions.

Each summer at the Elon Summer Conference there is a course on Missions taught by a returned missionary. These courses are always popular and many young people say that their interest in missions has been aroused by these contacts.

We feel that many of our young people are keenly interested in missions and that they are doing a good work. We shall not be satisfied until the young people of all of our churches have caught the vision and earnestly desire to carry the gospel to every creature.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. E. WISSEMAN, *Superintendent*.

The report of the Convention Editor was read by Mrs. W. M. Jay.

REPORT OF CONVENTION EDITOR FOR YEAR 1938-39.

Since we are meeting separate and apart from the Southern Convention, this report will cover just one year instead of two. We are happy, and with a "faith without wavering" we have ventured on this separate meeting believing that a bigger and better convention will be the result.

During this year (and how fast it has flown by), your convention editor has made a conscientious effort to carry out the ideals set up for this office. Articles have been written in *The Christian Sun* asking for support and talks at meetings in its behalf, have been made. The chief responsibility has been to edit and furnish to *The Christian Sun* news items from the various societies.

Number Nine of our Standard of Excellence reads: "Each society sending in a *quarterly* report to Conference Treasurer and to Superintendent of their district. District superintendent sending a report to Convention Editor, Mrs. W. M. Jay, 2026 Academy Street, Winston-Salem, N. C."

Full cooperation in carrying out the requirements of this section of our Standard would greatly strengthen the work of this office. The societies sending in their reports regularly and on time and the District leaders in turn sending them on to your editor. Letters will be sent to each Superintendent as soon as the

names and addresses of all the new ones can be obtained, urging that this point be carried out. Note the change of address to 2026 Academy Street; however, the postman has found us and that can't be an excuse for not sending news.

A marked degree of improvement has been made in this work however, and more societies are sending in their news quarterly instead of waiting till the last of the year.

Do you enjoy reading the news of other societies? Yes. Then why not do your part and cooperate with your editor, in addition to filling out your report to district superintendent, just write up a detailed item of *all* your work and plans. Let me urge through this report that we do take this matter seriously. We appreciate the cooperation in the past of all those who have helped to make this department one of mutual help and strength, and we pray for its continued success.

"Let us be faithful over a few things."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. M. JAY, *Editor.*

Mrs. Jay also reported concerning the new report blanks which were distributed last fall, and urged their use by societies and district superintendents. This report was made for the following committee: Mrs. W. M. Jay, Chairman; Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, Mrs. Garland Spratley, Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Mrs. K. H. Sale.

The report of the Literature Superintendent by Mrs. Carl R. Key, was read by the Secretary.

REPORT OF LITERATURE SUPERINTENDENT.

During the last year, the plan of selling literature packets for women, young people, and juniors has been tried. The experiment has proved successful. So many enthusiastic and appreciative comments have come to your literature superintendent that we are continuing the plan for this next year.

A total of seventy-six packets were ordered and sold in the Convention. The Eastern Virginia Conference ordered sixteen packets for women, ten for young people and ten for juniors. The Valley of Virginia Conference ordered seven for women and one for young people. The North Carolina Conference ordered twenty-five for women, six for young people, and one for juniors.

This department has sponsored and urged the use of travel libraries of ten books each for extra reading. These are available upon request from Dr. John L. Lobingier, 14 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass. The only expense is return postage.

We have urged the use of the study books on India and *The Church in the City* for those societies who did not order literature packets.

Material for the annual *Year Book* was collected, edited, printed and mailed to Dr. J. O. Atkinson, and the three conference presidents for distribution over the Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. CARL R. KEY,
Religious Superintendent.

The report of the Spiritual Life Superintendent was read by Mrs. W. R. Sellars.

DEPARTMENT OF SPIRITUAL LIFE.

"Who so offereth praise, glorifieth me."—Psalm 50: 23.

Our theme is: "Christ and His Church First." May our lives glorify Him as we worship, witness and work in His name, for His sake.

"Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness."—Matt. 6: 33. That is the call and the challenge to every woman in our Convention. Let us "major" in Christian living.

The work which we term Spiritual Life is really the building up of righteousness in the Christian's life. The spiritual life is the life of God's Holy Spirit within the believer and is that which undergirds and up-holds the work of each member of our Convention, and furnishes the motive and the power for all our work. It has to do with the heart of the Christian seeking to keep it in close fellowship with God.

"As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he"; "Out of the hearts are the issues of life"; "Out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaketh"; "What are hands without a heart."

As our inner lives are strengthened, our service will be enriched and be more effective. A greater joy will be realized as we do all "In His Name" and "For His Sake."

Our four great objectives, as you know, are prayer, Bible study, stewardship of life and possessions, and personal witnessing.

PRAYER—Realizing that the prayer of life must undergird all our service to our Lord, and believing that there is limitless power available to all who will make adventures in intercession, we would again emphasize the importance of prayer and seek to strengthen this means of growth through encouraging the personal prayer life in every way possible—by giving out special requests for prayer from time to time, by suggesting that special prayer lists be kept, and by using sentence prayer and silent prayer in our meetings. Also the establishment of prayer groups is encouraged and we would emphasize the responsibility of our women in establishing Family Worship in our homes.

BIBLE STUDY—Prayer always leads to the Word and a study of the Word causes the heart to turn unto God in praise, adoration and thanksgiving. In order to do God's work in God's way, we believe that we need to know God's will as that will is revealed to us through His word.

We do hope every woman is reading and studying the book of Philippians. If you haven't started it, do it now. For a help we urge you to get *The Radiant Heart* by Dr. C. J. Harrell, which may be ordered from the Cokesbury Press, Nashville, Tenn., price 25c. Just one thought from that book which has been a blessing—*The Mind of Christ* meant "Investing His life in humanity." That is the challenge for every one of us. Our missionaries are doing just that in a wonderful way. For next year's study we recommend the Gospel of John. We will have helps ready at our Conference meetings in October.

STEWARDSHIP OF LIFE AND POSSESSIONS—May we have a great desire to be "rich toward God." We are but trustees of our time, talents and possessions. May we "lay up treasures in heaven." May love for Christ be the true motive for all our giving. Let us prove our love and our loyalty to Him.

WITNESSING TO CHRIST—In accordance with the command of our Lord, let us remember that this is the ultimate purpose of all our work; the winning of souls to Jesus Christ. "Ye shall be witnesses unto me." "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you."—John 20:21.

E. Stanley Jones says: "To us it is no longer strange that God speaks to Moses out of a burning bush, for have not our hearts become, in fact, a burning bush, out of which God speaks to us in tenderest tones, and directive. For out of this fellowship with the fire comes the call to redeem, to bid my people go. So this communion ends in a commission. And that commission in turn feeds upon the communion.

"The wonder is not that we should speak of it, but the wonder is that we should speak of anything else."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. R. SELLARS, *Superintendent*.

It was moved and carried that the report of the Departmental Superintendents be accepted.

The Convention rose and joined in singing the Convention Hymn: "Are Ye Able."

Rev. C. P. Gorman, a missionary for thirty-three years to Japan, was introduced and the Convention spontaneously rose in greeting and in respect for his years of service. He brought greetings and a message from the women in Japan.

The Convention joined in singing one verse of "In the Cross of Christ I Glory."

Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mission Secretary, was presented, and his inspirational address, "I Do Believe," was read by his secretary, Mrs. Mattie Parker.

The report of the Eastern Virginia Conference was read by the President, Mrs. J. Monroe Harris.

EASTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

In presenting a report for Eastern Virginia Woman's work, I shall concern myself principally with the activities of our Conference since our meeting in Portsmouth last spring.

Our fall conference was held at Waverly, Va., October 7, 1939. It was estimated that approximately four hundred women were in attendance. The church was filled to overflowing and a very profitable program was enjoyed.

Our reports showed that thirty churches in our Conference had organized Woman's Societies that were at work with more than a thousand women enrolled as members and sending in a contribution of \$3,500.00 for the year. Twenty-five churches sent in reports from Young People's Organizations that were variously named. The offering from these groups was more than \$850.00. Nineteen Junior Societies or Willing Workers were reporting with gifts of about \$400.00, and Cradle Rolls to the number of seventeen sending in more than \$100.00. In all, we had 2,211 persons reported as participating in our programs of work, and \$4,934.29 sent as offerings for the year.

These figures may not mean much but they do actually indicate that more than 2,000 workers in our Conference heard the missionary message and made a contribution to its needs last year.

The finest piece of work that our Conference does, in my estimation, is done through our Spring Rallies. The three days that are set apart and planned for, are practically Conferences for the areas in which they are held. We have three sets of officers at work, planning and striving to put before every woman in the District the plans, programs, and needs of the work. Splendid programs of inspiration and information are presented, and people are reached that do not always have the privilege of traveling to the fall Conference. By planning a year ahead, we greatly enjoyed having as our guest speaker at all three Rallies this spring, Dr. D. Brewer Eddy. He made a splendid contribution and was heard by more than six hundred of our Eastern Virginia women. A letter from him after reaching home spoke of the fine spirit that prevailed among our people and of his pleasure in having a part on our program.

Tribute is here paid our three District Superintendents, Mrs. J. A. French, Mrs. C. Wesley Rountree, and Mrs. Garland Spratley, for their untiring efforts in making this year's Rallies a success.

Each District has also had a special combined meeting for the purpose of studying the books for the year's programs.

We had two delegates represent us at the Northfield Mission Conference.

Our offering as sent to this Convention this year is \$4,272.62.

I present this report with pleasure and assure this Convention that Eastern Virginia women are joyfully at work for the branch of our church life that has been entrusted to our care.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. MONROE HARRIS, *President.*

It was moved and carried that greetings be sent to our President, Mrs. John G. Truitt, expressing our regret at her absence.

The address of the President, "Christian Faith for the Modern World," was presented most effectively by Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell.

The Convention stood and joined in singing "How Firm a Foundation," after which the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. W. J. Andes.

The Convention adjourned until the evening session.

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At 5:15 o'clock, Dr. and Mrs. L. E. Smith held a reception for the Convention in West Dormitory. This was followed by a banquet in the College Dining Hall, at which Mrs. J. Monroe Harris presided.

The program for the banquet was as follows:

Solo—Miss Mary Lee Foster.

Solo—Mrs. W. N. Huff.

Piano Solo—An original composition by Mr. William Hamrick of the Elon student body, played by Miss Margaret Phelton.

Readings—Mrs. Helen Parkerson Cannon.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Convention assembled in Whitley Auditorium at 8:00, Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell presiding.

The meeting opened with the singing of "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

The Elon Singers, under the direction of Mr. Stuart Pratt, sang: "Jesus, Thou Priceless Treasure," by Bach.

Miss Ruth Johnson conducted a service of recognition for the past presidents of the Convention: Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Mrs. W. A. Harper, Mrs. W. H. Carroll, Mrs. J. A. Williams, Mrs. W. R. Sellers, and Mrs. John G. Truitt. She also recognized our missionary on furlough, Mr. C. P. Gorman, and our Mission Secretary, Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Professor Thomas Edwards, of the music faculty of Elon College, sang "Prayer," by Curran.

Dr. L. E. Smith introduced Miss Mary D. Uline, Promotional Secretary of the American Board, who addressed the Convention on the subject, "Some of the Good Signs of the Times."

The Elon Singers concluded the evening's program by singing "How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place," from "The Requiem" by Brahms.

The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. C. P. Gorman.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Woman's Missionary Convention was called to order at 10:00 o'clock, Wednesday morning, April 19, by Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell.

The meeting opened with the singing of "Lead On, O King Eternal," followed by the invocation by Rev. B. H. Watkins.

The Elon Singers, under the direction of Mr. Stuart Pratt, sang "Hallelujah, Amen," by Handel.

The report of the Superintendent of Life Memberships and Memorials was read by Mrs. M. J. W. White.

DEPARTMENT OF LIFE MEMBERSHIPS AND MEMORIALS.

It gives me great pleasure to report for the Department of Life Memberships and Memorials for the year 1938-39, as follows:

Eastern Virginia—Life Memberships, 3; Memorials, 4.

Valley of Virginia—Life Memberships, 1.

North Carolina—Memorials, 1.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. M. J. W. WHITE, *Superintendent*.

The report of the Treasurer, submitted by Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Balance on hand April 18, 1938 \$ 421.80

RECEIPTS.

North Carolina Conference\$3,987.73

Valley of Virginia Central Conference 339.05

Eastern Virginia Conference 4,272.62

8,599.40

\$9,021.20

DISBURSEMENTS.

Norfolk Letter Writing Co. Treas. Biennial Reports \$ 2.30

Mrs. Carl R. Key, Literature Expenses 1.00

The Reliance Press, Treas. Bound Receipt Book 6.00

Norfolk Engraving Co., Drs. Staley & Atkinson, Program 8.45

Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treas., Savings, Memorial 10.00

J. O. Atkinson, Secretary of Missions 2,206.00

Mrs. J. G. Truitt, Exp. to Valley Conference 15.00

Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treas. Savings, Life Membership 10.00

Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treas. Savings, Life Membership 60.00

J. O. Atkinson, Secretary of Missions 2,600.00

Exp. of Board meeting at Suffolk, Va., Oct. 15 33.25

Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treas., Exp. Acct. 2.50

Mrs. B. D. Jones, Exp. of Cradle Roll Supt 3.95

Mrs. Carl R. Key, Literature Exp. 2.00

The Gurley Press, 500 Year Books 60.84

The Gurley Press, Memorial Certificates 3.50

J. O. Atkinson, Secretary of Missions 1,700.00

West and Withers, Bond for Treas. 12.50

Reliance Press, Quarterly Report Blanks, Conf. Treas. ... 3.75

Mrs. J. G. Truitt, Exp. Acct. 2.00

J. O. Atkinson, Secretary of Missions 2,000.00

8,743.04

Balance on hand, National Bank of Commerce, Norfolk, Va. .. \$ 278.16

SPECIAL FUNDS.

Staley Memorial Fund, Farmers Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Va. . .	\$2,080.03
Woman's Board of Missions, S. C. C. Life Memberships, Memorials in the Farmers Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Va.	\$ 424.40
(Fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) of the Life membership and Memorial Fund was loaned to the General Mission Board on November 7, 1938, at 3 per cent interest.)	

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. H. S. HARDCASTLE, *Treasurer.*

I have verified the books and accounts of Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasurer of the Woman's Board of Missions, S. C. C., for the period from May 1, 1938 to April 12, 1939, and I *certify* that the above statements of Income and Disbursements agree with books and in my opinion correctly sets forth the true condition of the Woman's Board of Missions, S. C. C., as of April 12, 1939.

B. C. CARR, *Assistant Cashier,*
National Bank of Commerce, Norfolk, Va.

The report of the Finance Committee, presented by Mrs. W. R. Sellars in the absence of Mrs. W. V. Leathers, was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee recommends the following:

First, that the Convention accept the statement of Mr. B. C. Carr, Auditor, Norfolk, Va., concerning the condition of the books and accounts of Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasurer, and adopt the report of the Treasurer as submitted.

Second, that the goal for the next biennium remain \$20,000.00 and the same be apportioned as follows: Eastern Virginia, \$10,600.00; North Carolina, \$8,400.00; Valley of Virginia, \$1,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. V. LEATHERS,
MRS. W. R. SELLARS,
MISS VERDIE SHOWALTER,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on Recommendations was presented by Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECOMMENDATIONS.

Members of a Recommendation Committee feel a grave responsibility. It is theirs to review the past, to be alive to the present, to be hopeful for the future, and to interpret into words that can be spoken, written, read, what we are willing to venture for the cause of Christ, and in His name.

We never yet have heard a committee report that all possible is being done and recommend a leave of absence on vacation for the women of our Missions Convention. We are twenty-seven years old, and the challenges to our loyalty are greater than ever before. We have faith to believe that God's hand is guiding in the affairs of men—but human-kind is self-willed.

We who would follow Christ would have the world a brotherhood! Your Committee would like to present a challenge for the coming year—Courage! This is my Father's world! Your Committee would like to remember in a more fervent prayer those who represent us at mission points, and particularly those who serve in areas of great physical risk.

RECOMMENDATION No. 1—That we use every opportunity to present our Christ as the Prince of Peace, and instruct our young people in world friend-

ship, and that we practice more faithfully the first and great commandment, and the second which is like unto it.

RECOMMENDATION No. 2—That we put to better use the wealth of missionary program material which is possible to us, in order that we may become better informed and more efficient.

RECOMMENDATION No. 3—That we observe a more prompt and efficient use of the quarterly report blanks to our district superintendents.

RECOMMENDATION No. 4—That we become thoroughly informed as to the ten points of our Standard of Excellence, which provides a well-rounded program of activity for local societies, and develops our talents and abilities.

RECOMMENDATION No. 5—That each church send an interested missionary society member to the Elon Summer School of Leadership Training to attend the classes under the missionary speaker and instructor, and so become familiar with the home and foreign mission subjects for the coming year and the materials to be used.

RECOMMENDATION No. 6—That we again consider the disposition of the Staley Memorial Fund, amount about \$2,000.00, with a view to making a decision on the following three points:

1. Shall we consider the fund at the present amount or consider augmenting it if a project which pleases calls for further funds?
2. Shall we decide that the money be spent at home or abroad?
3. Shall we request that a committee be appointed with authority to execute the action of the Convention?

Seven definite suggestions have reached your Committee:

1. A new church or community center in our mountain work in Virginia.
2. The fund augmented, a new work begun, and a memorial church built at some needful place in the Southern Convention.
3. A memorial chapel in Western China, and ask our young people to support a pastor there.
4. A home for retired ministers and missionaries.
5. The fund invested as a memorial fund, and the income used to educate a native pastor in India.
6. Scholarship at Elon.
7. Allow the fund to accumulate until some project not already suggested should present itself and unite our thinking.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
MRS. J. MONROE HARRIS,
MRS. K. H. SALE,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that the report be adopted in part, through Item 5, and that Item 6, concerning the Staley Memorial Fund, be considered further.

Moved that Item 6 be adopted with the proviso that Mrs. Lightbourne make explanatory remarks concerning it. An amendment to the motion was presented by Dr. Atkinson, that the committee be allowed to withdraw from the Convention with the request that they bring in a definite recommendation concerning the Staley Memorial Fund.

The Convention, by informal agreement, expressed its desire that the money in the Staley Memorial Fund be used for home mission work rather than foreign mission work, and that the present fund be augmented by other funds.

The amendment to the above motion was carried and the committee, consisting of Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, Mrs. J. Monroe Harris, and Mrs. J. H. Rowland, appointed in the absence of Mrs. K. H. Sale, was allowed to withdraw for the purpose of bringing in a definite recommendation to the Convention.

The report of the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution, was read by Mrs. R. T. Bradford in the absence of Mrs. J. A. Williams, Chairman. It was moved and carried that this Constitution be adopted with the following revisions: That the President authorize the expenditure of funds by the Treasurer; and that the method of handling the Life Memberships and Memorial Fund be continued as heretofore. These provisions are included in the Constitution.

Professor Edwards, of the Elon College music faculty, sang "My Soul Is Athirst for God."

It was moved and carried that we invite Mr. C. P. Gorman to speak to the Convention about his work in Japan before the meeting adjourns.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was read by Mrs. E. R. Bryant, Jr., and upon motion was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, submit the following report as nominees for the Woman's Board of the Southern Convention of Congregational and Christian Churches for the ensuing term:

President—Mrs. J. Monroe Harris, Norfolk, Va.

Vice-President—Mrs. Claude Eley, Suffolk, Va.

Secretary—Mrs. O. H. Paris, Greensboro, N. C.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. J. S. Rollins, Suffolk, Va.

Treasurer—Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Norfolk, Va.

Convention Editor—Mrs. W. M. Jay, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Superintendent of Spiritual Life—Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Burlington, N. C.

Superintendent of Literature—Miss Dorothy Williams, Franklin, Va.

Superintendent of Young People—Miss Tora Rudd, Burlington, N. C.

Superintendent of Cradle Roll—Mrs. B. D. Jones, Holland, Va.

Superintendent of Life Memberships and Memorials—Mrs. J. W. White,
Norfolk, Va.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. E. R. BRYANT, JR.,

MRS. HERBERT P. HARRELL,

MRS. C. H. ROWLAND,

Committee.

The Committee on Recommendations submitted the following addition to the report:

ADDITION TO REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECOMMENDATIONS.

We recommend:

1. That the Staley Memorial Fund be augmented and used to establish a scholarship at Elon College for the training of Christian workers.

2. That the Board of the Woman's Convention be authorized to carry out the action of this Convention.

It was moved and carried that the report of the Committee on Recommendations be adopted as a whole.

It was moved and carried that the secretary cast the ballot for the election of the officers.

The report of the Valley of Virginia Conference was read by the secretary in the absence of Mrs. K. H. Sale as follows:

VIRGINIA VALLEY CONFERENCE.

The Eleventh Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Woman's Missionary Conference convened at Palmyra Church, near Edinburg, Va., July 28, 1938.

The program was built around the theme "Companionship With the Divine Friend." The conference felt indeed fortunate in having as its guest speakers, Mrs. John G. Truitt, President of the Southern Woman's Board; Rev. F. E. Hyde, Sanford, N. C.; and Mrs. W. L. Dudley, Winchester, Va. Their addresses were greatly appreciated by those present.

A Constitution prepared by the Southern Woman's Board was adopted by the conference.

The traveling library, which promoted the sending of mission books from one society to another, has been found very helpful and is being used again this year.

Several societies purchased the literature packet suggested by Mrs. Carl Key. We are also using the *Missionary Herald*, *The Christian Sun*, and the *Pilgrim Highroad*.

The Northern District held its rally in November at the Timber Ridge Church. The young people of the church presented a most interesting pageant which was enjoyed by about 250 people. The other three districts are planning to hold their rallies in the near future.

Our financial goal for the year is \$500.00. Our Treasurer reports \$339.05 sent to Mrs. Hardcastle. In addition to that amount we have paid \$15.50 for literature. A special offering of \$45.00 was paid to Rev. Severina M. Ochoco, a young man from the Philippine Islands completing his work at Shenandoah College, and there is \$11.84 balance in the treasury.

Our secretary reports 8 Woman's Societies, 4 Young People's Societies and 4 Cradle Rolls, with a total membership of 308. According to this report, we have gained more than 100 members during the past year. We are grateful for this gain but we will not be satisfied until we reach our goal of "A working society in every church in our Conference."

We had three delegates and one pastor attend the first Post-Madras Conference in Washington in February. We are looking forward to sending delegates to the Summer Conferences.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. K. H. SALE, *President*.

It was moved and carried that this report and the report of the Eastern Virginia Conference, and of the Superintendent of Life Memberships and Memorials be accepted.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary send greetings to Mrs. J. E. Cartwright and Mrs. J. A. Williams, expressing our regret that they could not be present.

It was moved and carried that the Executive Board make provision for the publishing of the minutes of this meeting.

The report of the Committee on Courtesy was read by Mrs. H. Shelton Smith and upon motion was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS OF COURTESY.

This session of the Woman's Mission Convention has been meaningful and inspirational and sincere appreciation is expressed to:

1. The members of the Elon Woman's Society for the material comforts and conveniences which they have provided and for their graciousness in acting as our hostesses.

2. The college administration for its generosity and efficiency in spreading such bountiful feasts.

3. The musicians, Mr. Pratt, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Morgan, and their assistants who have expressed so beautifully in song a message of hope and love and good will.

4. Dr. J. O. Atkinson for his message of positive faith.

5. Miss Mary D. Uline for her presence and for the stimulation which she brings to our own missionary efforts.

6. Rev. C. P. Gorman, whose long and faithful service is ever a testimony to the value of Christian Missions.

7. Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, who has so ably presided in the absence of the president, and who, in her president's message, made such an appealing challenge to the constituency of this organization to achieve the objectives of a Christian faith by giving one's self to the tasks at hand with whatever capacity one may have.

8. To all committees which have worked for the cause of missions during the last year.

To the program committee which has made possible this experience of a renewal of spirit and enthusiasm in the interest of missions.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ROY CAVINESS,
MRS. WESLEY ROUNTREE,
MISS MINNIE DOFFLEMYER,
Committee.

Miss Mary D. Uline and Rev. C. P. Gorman brought brief messages to the Convention.

Dr. Smith extended an invitation on behalf of the Elon Woman's Society to a luncheon in the Y. W. C. A. immediately following adjournment.

The Convention joined in singing the Doxology, after which the Rev. John G. Truitt pronounced the benediction.

MRS. STANLEY C. HARRELL, *President.*
MRS. C. M. CANNON, *Secretary.*

Minutes of the Twenty-Seventh Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL-CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
RICHMOND, VA., OCTOBER 20, 1939.

THEME: "*Toward a World Christian Fellowship.*"

CHALLENGE: "*Go Ye Into All the World and Preach the Gospel.*"

MORNING SESSION.

The Twenty-Seventh Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Conference of Eastern Virginia Congregational-Christian Churches was called to order at 10:30 A. M., by the President, Mrs. J. Monroe Harris.

Call to Worship: "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Hymn: "In Christ There Is No East Or West," was sung, followed by Invocation by Mrs. J. Monroe Harris.

Devotionals were conducted by Mrs. A. B. Jarvis using the Conference theme.

The reports of the District Superintendents were presented as follows:

Waverly District—In our district more interest has been manifested in our study books this year than ever before. Several groups were fortunate in having on display curious carvings, hand woven materials and other articles sent direct from India. We were delighted and charmed with Dr. Brewer Eddy who attended our District meeting. A resolution was passed which may be beneficial to some other society—Resolved: The Woman's Missionary Society of each local church or the Ladies Bible Class would be responsible for one worship service at the Sunday school each month emphasizing missions, thereby hoping an interest in missions would be stimulated among the men and others not affiliated with an organization. Of the four women's societies, three are honor roll, amount contributed \$168.65. From the four young people's and junior society \$44.48 was contributed. Although our efforts may seem small, we of the Waverly District are happy to be co-laborers with a group who is accomplishing much for the building of God's Kingdom throughout the whole wide world.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. GARLAND SPEATLY.

Norfolk District—Number of Woman's Societies, 10; enrollment, 320; amount raised, \$1,015.00. Number of Young People's Societies, 7; enrollment, 123; amount raised, \$187.25. Number of Junior Societies, 4; enrollment, 62; amount raised, \$21.50. Number of Cradle Rolls, 6; enrollment, 73; amount raised, \$27.70. Total societies, 27; enrollment, 578; amount raised, \$1,251.45.

New Societies—Woman's Society at Shelton Congregational-Christian Church; Young People's Society at Berea (Norfolk); Young People's Society at Shelton Congregational-Christian Church.

Several of the societies have met together for group meetings sharing in the study book lectures, and in observance of the World Day of Prayer.

I have visited 8 out of the 10 societies in the Norfolk District and taken part on the programs at five of these. Mr. French and I taught the book *The Church Takes Root in India* to different groups in five all-day sessions during the year.

In some of our churches the Ladies Aid has combined with the Missionary Society into one organization. This has proven to be a desirable plan and it is to be hoped that others will consider the same.

We need more adult societies sponsoring and organizing Young People, Juniors, and Cradle Roll Societies.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. A. FRENCH,
Superintendent.

District reports adopted as read.

Due to illness of Mrs. E. P. Jones, Superintendent of Nansemond-Franklin-Gates District, a letter of greetings from Mrs. Jones was read, but no report.

The roll of societies was called with two new societies. All churches were represented. Ten ministers and one lay visitor were recognized, including Rev. F. C. Lester, Promotional Secretary of the Southern Convention, and Mrs. Lester.

President's message: "Twenty Years of Service," was given by Mrs. J. Monroe Harris, who had served the Conference for twenty years.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Nominations, beg leave to submit the following nominees as officers for the Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference for the coming year:

President—Mrs. B. D. Jones.

First Vice-President—Mrs. R. T. Bradford.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. J. Monroe Harris.

Secretary—Mrs. Herbert Harrell.

Treasurer—Mrs. Everett Bryant, Jr.

Superintendent of Young People—Miss Caroline Gort.

Superintendent of Literature—Mrs. J. F. Morgan.

Superintendent of Cradle Roll—Mrs. Frank Eppes.

Superintendent of Spiritual Life—Mrs. A. B. Jarvis.

Superintendent of Memorials and Life Memberships—Mrs. J. A. Williams.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. U. V. LEATHERS,
MRS. J. W. MANNING,
MRS. O. M. COCKES,
Committee.

Report adopted and the above officers declared elected.

The report of the Superintendent of Literature was presented as follows:

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LITERATURE.

The general theme for our 1939-40 mission study is "Christ and the World Community—At Home and Abroad." This theme was inspired by the World Missionary Conference at Madras, India, during the latter part of 1938, where the reality of the Church of Christ in the world was demonstrated. The forces

working against this Church were very evident at this gathering, with its 464 delegates from over 69 different nations and areas. Your Superintendent suggests that we keep in mind this theme so that we may feel ourselves a part of this great world fellowship. Also that we try to inspire in our women a deeper love and loyalty to this church and courage to stand for its teachings, whatever the cost may be.

The following books are suggested for our study: For Women—*Homeland Harvest* by Limouze; *Through Tragedy to Triumph* by Mathews.

Young People—*Right Here at Home* by Mead; *Comrades Round the World* by Mack.

Juniors and Intermediates—*Far Round the World* by McGavran; *Tales from East and West* by Cobb. In addition our Mission Board offers a number of supplementary books and materials that may be used with this course.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. F. MORGAN,
Literature Superintendent.

Miss Dorothy Williams, Superintendent of Literature of the Southern Convention, was introduced and she presented the literature of the Convention telling of special envelope packages which are prepared and ready for societies.

The report of the Spiritual Life Superintendent was presented by Mrs. A. B. Jarvis.

The report of the Treasurer was presented as follows:

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

Amount received by Mrs. Raby, 1938 \$ 250.48

RECEIPTS.

Women	\$3,315.99
Young People	726.62
Juniors	354.65
Cradle Roll	102.48
Life Memberships and Memorials	\$ 70.00
District Rallies	36.33
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	106.33
Total Receipts	\$4,856.55

DISBURSEMENTS.

Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasurer, S. C. C.	\$4,563.21
Life Memberships and Memorials	70.00
Printing Checks and Stamps for Treasurer	8.50
Mrs. J. Monroe Harris	11.40
Pond-Ekberg Company for Programs	26.30
Mrs. J. M. Raby	2.35
The Gurley Press	13.50
Mrs. James Hess	10.00
Mrs. W. H. Andrews	1.00
Mrs. Garland Spratley	3.36
Mrs. Jarvis	5.78
West and Withers for Treasurer's Bond	5.00
Mrs. J. F. Morgan for Materials	3.80
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	4,723.20

Balance on Deposit with Vaughan & Co., Sept. 30, 1939 \$ 132.35

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. E. R. BRYANT,
Treasurer.

TO THE WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSION BOARD OF
THE EASTERN VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

Dear Mesdames:

I have made an audit of the accounts and records of the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Board of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, Mrs. E. R. Bryant, Jr., Treasurer, for the period from October 1, 1938 to September 19, 1939, and all receipts of record have been properly accounted for; all disbursements are supported by a receipted statement or properly endorsed check; and, that a full and correct settlement of the Treasurer's account was made at the end of each quarter.

Respectfully submitted,

JAY E. LANG.

Recognition of societies achieving Standard of Excellence was presented by the Treasurer:

Women's Roll of Honor—Antioch, Berea (Nansemond), Berea (Norfolk), Bethlehem, Cypress Chapel, Damascus, Dendron, Eure, Franklin, Holland, Holy Neck, Isle of Wight, Liberty Spring, Mt. Carmel, Newport News, Oakland, Rosemont, Suffolk, Waverly, and Windsor.

Young People's Roll of Honor—Bethlehem, Cypress Chapel, Franklin, Holland (P. F.), Holy Neck, Liberty Spring, Mt. Carmel, Newport News (C. E.), Oakland, and Rosemont.

Junior Roll of Honor—Bethlehem, Cypress Chapel, Franklin, Holland, Holy Neck, Liberty Spring, Mt. Carmel, and Rosemont.

Honor Roll of Churches—Bethlehem, Cypress Chapel, Franklin, Holland, Holy Neck, Liberty Spring, Mt. Carmel, and Rosemont.

On motion the report was adopted. Special music was a duet by Mesdames L. W. Vaughan and A. B. Jarvis.

Mrs. Harris introduced Dr. Miller, a missionary of the Southern Presbyterian Board, who had spent twenty-years in Central Africa. His subject was "Problems and Promises."

Offering amounted to \$21.79.

Conference adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 2:00 o'clock.

Hymn: "Onward Christian Soldiers," was sung.

Address by Dr. J. O. Atkinson read by Mrs. R. T. Bradford; subject, "Wonderful Councillor."

The report of the Superintendent of Young People's Department was presented as follows:

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE.

The financial report given by the Treasurer, disclosed the fact that we have fewer societies in our Conference this year and have decreased our gifts. This is probably due to the fact that emphasis on Young People's Missionary Societies as separate organizations, has lessened. We sincerely trust that this condition may be remedied—that the Woman's Conference may not have cause to deplore the fact that the young people are not being properly prepared to take the places of their elders in this the work nearest to the heart of our Master.

On motion the report of Young People was adopted.

The report of Cradle Roll Department was presented as follows:

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF CRADLE ROLL.

Number on roll for year 1938-39: Bethlehem, 16; Christian Temple, 30; Damascus, 12; Mt. Carmel, 13; Newport News, 25; Oakland, 49; Rosemont, 23; Suffolk, 64; South Norfolk, 32; Berea (Nansemond), 11; Eure, 20; Waverly, 15; Holland, 20; Holy Neck, 18; Windsor, 14; Franklin, 19. Total, 381. Members promoted, 64. New members, 56. Amount raised, \$89.46.

I have received no reports from 5 of our 22 churches.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. F. A. EPPS.

On motion the report of the Cradle Roll was adopted.

The report of Life Memberships and Memorial was presented as follows:

REPORT ON LIFE MEMBERSHIPS AND MEMORIAL.

Very little has been done this year in a department so worthy. Let us have for our goal the next year—one Life Membership from each society, and a Memorial for each deceased member.

We have received Memorials from: Rosemont, 1; Suffolk, 1; Berea (Nans.), 2. Baby Memorials, Bethlehem, 2. Life Membership, Suffolk, 1; Liberty Spring, 1; Christian Temple, 2.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. A. WILLIAMS,
Superintendent.

On motion the report of Life Memberships and Memorial was adopted.

The Committee on Resolutions and Recommendations reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

We, your Committee, submit the following:

The theme nearest to the heart of the Master was "Missions." Much of the Bible deals with this vital subject. It is the center and heart of our church today. It is an age-old problem and one which we cannot hope to solve in a day. Acquiring the spirit of missions, gleanings missionary information, and gaining the inspiration which comes from the knowledge of missions is acquired only through study, prayer and work.

We, therefore, recommend:

1. That, as there are still churches in the Eastern Virginia Conference with no missionary organization, we, therefore, urge the pastors of such churches to bestir themselves during the coming year and assist in the organization of four missionary groups in each church; namely, a Woman's, a Young People's, a Junior, and a Cradle Roll Society. We trust that our pastors will actively recognize the fact that live mission work means a progressive church.

2. We recommend that our churches not only have the aforementioned groups, but that each group will strive to attain the Standard of Excellence, which Standard is set up for our benefit, and for the furthering of our missionary knowledge. And we urge that we study our Constitution, and thereby become more conscious that we are a part of that larger organization, the Southern Christian Convention.

3. In those churches where there is only a Woman's Missionary Society, we urge that the president of such a group realize it is her duty to organize a

Young People's, a Junior, and a Cradle Roll group. May we take as our slogan for the coming year: "Four mission groups for each church in our Conference."

4. We recommend that a School of Missions be held at Elon College each year, where the mission books can be taught and missionary information be obtained by the leaders of our churches and organizations. This to be done under the auspices of the Woman's Board of the Southern Convention.

5. That we extend to the Women of the Richmond Church our thanks and appreciation for their gracious hospitality and splendid entertainment.

6. That the conference extend its thanks to its officers for their untiring efforts; for the program of today filled with information and inspiration; and especially would we thank our guest speaker, Dr. Miller, for the inspiring message he brought to us.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. A. WILLIAMS,

MRS. E. T. ATKINSON,

MRS. OSCAR SMITH,

Committee.

A solo was sung by Mrs. O. D. Poythress. The President asked for questions and suggestions from the floor.

It was asked if Life Memberships and Memorials counted on apportionments. Some discussion, but not answered. Mrs. R. W. Wood moved that we ask the Board of Southern Convention to present a financial statement of disbursement of money to be read at next Conference.

It was moved and carried to send greetings from the Conference to Mission Secretary, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mrs. J. E. Cartwright, Mrs. E. P. Jones.

The new President, Mrs. B. D. Jarvis was introduced and gave a message. Place of meeting was left to new officers for 1940.

Memorial Service was conducted by Mrs. J. M. Rabey. Rev. J. F. Morgan closed this service with prayer.

The Conference adjourned to meet the first Friday of October, 1940.

Benediction by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle.

MRS. J. MONROE HARRIS, *President.*

MRS. HERBERT HARRELL, *Secretary.*

Minutes of the Twenty-Seventh Annual Session of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Conference.

INGRAM CHRISTIAN CHURCH (NEAR PACES, VA.),
OCTOBER 10, 1939.

THEME: *"That They May All Be One."*

MORNING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order at 10:00 A. M. In the absence of the President, Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, Mrs. C. H. Rowland, a former President of the Conference, presided.

Rev. B. J. Earp, pastor of the hostess church, made the welcome and offered the invocation.

Reports from the districts were made as follows: Alamance, Mrs. J. D. Strader, Burlington; Durham-Wake, Mrs. A. P. Robinson; Randolph, Mrs. Hugh York; Chatham-Lee-Moore, Mrs. R. L. Ross; Guilford, Miss Frankye Marshall; Vance-Warren, Mrs. E. M. Carter; and Halifax, Mrs. B. J. Earp.

By request Rev. F. C. Lester introduced to the Conference the visiting ministers, some twenty-five in number, and also the following distinguished visitors: Mrs. J. M. Harris, Norfolk, Va., President of the Women's Southern Christian Convention; Mrs. B. D. Jones, Holland, Va., second Vice-President; Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Suffolk, Va.; Mrs. Clarence Eley, Norfolk, Va.; and Mrs. John G. Truitt, Suffolk, Va., past President of the Southern Convention.

Mrs. S. C. Harrell, Durham, made report on mission literature. The past presidents of the Conference were recognized as follows: Mesdames L. L. Vaughan, C. H. Rowland, S. C. Harrell, O. H. Paris. A tribute was made by Mrs. W. R. Sellars to the memory of the late Mrs. W. H. Carroll, Burlington, who was at one time president of the Conference.

Mrs. Paul D. Rudd, Reidsville, Va., reported on the Standard of Excellence and to each society that had reached the Standard a certificate was given. These societies were as follows: Palm Street, Greensboro; Winston-Salem; First, Greensboro; Henderson, Ramseur and Elon College.

Chairmen of committees appointed and who later made reports were: Resolutions, Mrs. H. W. Elder; Recommendations, Mrs. O. H. Paris; Nominations, Mrs. E. M. Carter; Place, Mrs. R. J. Kernodle.

The Treasurer made the following report:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Women's Societies	\$3,290.31
Young People's Societies	247.26
Willing Workers	90.26
Cradle Roll	94.89
Willing Workers (Juniors)	37.00
District Rally Offerings	35.30
Miscellaneous	87.17
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	\$3,882.19

DISBURSEMENTS.

Exp., Miss Hess, N. C. Woman's Conf.	\$ 10.00
Exp., Luncheon, Board Meeting	5.35
For Mrs. Carl Key (Mrs. Harrell)	58.20
A. D. Pate & Co., Programs and Letterheads	8.50
Exp., District Rally, Mrs. J. E. Neese	10.38
Exp., District Rally, Rev. F. C. Lester	25.00
Exp., District Rally, Miss Tora Rudd	3.00
Exp., Mrs. Wisseman, Church School in Northfield, Mass. .	40.00
Exp., Postage, Mrs. Lightbourne	2.00
Elon Life Membership for Mrs. W. P. Lawrence	10.00
Bank Charges	2.35
To Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasurer of Woman's Mission Board of the Southern Congregational-Christian Confer- ence, for Life Membership, Memorial, and Missions ..	3,707.41
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	\$3,882.19

MRS. CHARLES H. STEPHENSON,
Treasurer.

The morning devotion and report of Superintendent of Spiritual Life was given by Mrs. W. R. Sellars of Burlington.

The principal address of the day was given by Miss Ruth Isabel Seabury, Home Department Secretary, American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions.

Special music was rendered by Mrs. W. N. Huff of Burlington, who sang "The Good Shepherd." The morning session was closed with invocation by Rev. C. E. Newman. The hostess church served a bountiful and delicious picnic lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The afternoon session, beginning at at 1:30, was called to order by Mrs. Rowland, and Rev. O. D. Poythress of South Norfolk, Va., sang a solo. Invocation was given by Rev. J. Howard Smith.

A paper entitled, "One Leader One People," by Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mission Secretary, which paper was read by Mrs. Mattie Cox Parker. Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, Greensboro, spoke on her recent trip to Northfield. Departmental reports were made by Mrs. Wisseman, Mrs. M. W. Hook, and Miss Margaret Alston.

Officers elected for the incoming year: President, Mrs. W. E. Wisseman, Greensboro; First Vice-President, Mrs. D. E. Mitchell, Reidsville; Secretary, Mrs. H. D. Lambeth, Elon College; Treasurer, Miss Susie D. Allen, Raleigh. The following Superintendents were elected: Cradle Roll, Mrs. G. W. Putnam, Raleigh; Young People, Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, Burlington; and Literature, Mrs. S. C. Harrell, Durham.

In a candle-light service Miss Margaret Alston, Henderson, gave a memorial to those who had died during the past year and Mrs. W. N. Huff and Miss Susie Allen sang, "Abide With Me."

Many new societies were organized during the past year.

Conference adjourned to meet for the Twenty-Eighth Annual Conference in 1940 at Liberty Church, Vance, N. C.

MRS. H. D. LAMBETH, *Secretary*.

Minutes of the Twelfth Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Woman's Missionary Conference.

MT. OLIVET, ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, VA.,
JULY 27, 1939.

MORNING SESSION.

Opening hymn: "O Zion, Haste." The Worship Service was conducted by Miss Oletha Spitzer of New Hope.

Mrs. M. W. Mann, the pastor's wife, introduced Mrs. A. B. Lam of the hostess society who gave a gracious welcome to the visitors. Rev. R. D. Coulter gave the response.

The following churches had representatives present: Antioch, Bethel, Bethlehem, Leaksville, Linville, Mt. Olivet (R), New Hope, Newport, Timber Ridge, Winchester and Woods Chapel.

Churches represented by pastor and wife only were: Concord, Mayland, Mt. Olivet (G), Palmyra and Whistler's Chapel.

The following visitors were present: Mr. Leslie Wing of Poplar, Mont.; Rev. and Mrs. Rush Sine of High View, W. Va.; Mrs. G. P. Bostick of Luray; and Mrs. M. J. W. White of Luray.

The Treasurer gave her report as follows:

REPORT OF THE TREASURER. JULY, 1938 TO JULY, 1939.

Brought forward from last year	\$ 5.35
Missionary Conference Offering	6.00
Mid-Year Conference Offering	11.84
Rockingham Rally at Beulah	6.86
Women's Societies	278.26
Young People's Societies	126.99
Cradle Rolls	10.87

Total Received \$ 446.17

1938		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Sept. 8	Mrs. Hardcastle for Mrs. Sale's Life		
	Membership	\$ 10.00	
Oct. 11	Mrs. Hardcastle, First Quarter	62.70	
Nov.	Burke and Price for Bond	2.50	
Nov. 23	Mrs. Carl Key, Literature	15.50	
Nov.	Mrs. B. F. Frank, Postage36	
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Jan. 12	Mrs. Hardcastle, Second Quarter	75.19	
Mar. 30	Mrs. Hardcastle, Third Quarter	64.88	
July 12	Mrs. Hardcastle, Fourth Quarter	205.49	

436.62

Balance in Treasury, July 12, 1939 \$ 9.55

MISS VERDIE SHOWALTER, *Treasurer.*

Report adopted.

Two very interesting addresses were given—the first by Mrs. M. J. W. White on the Philippines. Mrs. White is a returned missionary of the Congregational-Christian Church; the other on China by Mrs. G. P. Bostick, a returned missionary of the Baptist Church.

Hymn: "Jesus Calls Us."

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORTS.

Page-Green—This District has two societies, Leaksville and Newport. They hold regular meetings, use Traveling Library, *The Christian Sun*, and *Missionary Herald*. Did not hold Rally this year. Mabel Higgs, Superintendent.

Rockingham District—There are two women's societies, Linville and New Hope. Four young people's societies, Antioch, Linville, Mt. Olivet (R), and New Hope. One Junior Pilgrim Fellowship at Antioch. Mrs. J. E. Bryant, Superintendent.

Northern District—There are a woman's Society, two young people's societies, Winchester and Timber Ridge, and a Cradle Roll Society at Winchester. We held a Rally. Mrs. A. K. Sirbaugh, Superintendent.

Shenandoah District—Did not report.

The above reports were accepted.

An address on India was given by Rev. Rush Sine. His lecture was beautifully illustrated by a large map which the young people of Winchester had made under the instruction of Mrs. R. A. Whitten.

Hymn: "Tell Me the Story of Jesus."

Benediction by Rev. R. A. Whitten.

A bountiful dinner was served by the ladies of the church.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Devotionals were led by Miss Anna Lou Showalter of Antioch.

Hymn: "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations."

Prayer by Rev. R. A. Whitten.

Winchester gave a pageant entitled "Inspiration."

Cradle Roll report was read and adopted as follows:

CRADLE ROLL REPORT.

Jesus said, Suffer the little children and forbid them not to come unto me for of such is the kingdom of Heaven.—Matt. 19: 14.

The following is a list of Cradle Rolls, with their membership: Antioch, 2; Bethel, 27; Leaksville, 6; Linville, 10; Winchester, 8. Total membership, 53.

AMY LOUDERBACK, *Superintendent*.

Report of Literature and Mite Boxes was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF LITERATURE AND MITE BOXES.

Societies reporting, 6; books read, 128; articles read, 470; *Christian Sun* subscribers, 47; *Missionary Herald* subscribers, 8; Mite Boxes, 32; visits to the sick, 405.

The two topics for special study this year are "India" and "The Church in the City." The societies have been progressive and secured literature packets and were well equipped with study books and many program materials for a whole year. Let me urge all societies to take advantage of the packet plan in the future. This experiment has proven successful in the past year and will be

continued for another year. Please note that a monthly program is placed in *The Christian Sun*. This should prove of much value. If you have not taken advantage of the Travel Libraries of ten books you may do so by writing to Mrs. J. L. Lobingier, 14 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass., and indicate whether you wish them for adults, young people or juniors. You will have to pay only the return postage or express on these books.

Societies should have mission study classes and stress the importance of Mite Boxes. These may be obtained from Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Elon College, N. C., at a very small cost. These boxes could also be placed in stores and other public places at or near the local church.

The Missionary Herald is only \$1.00 per year (in clubs of five), and it is worth every cent of it. It promotes missionary knowledge among the members of the societies. Each family in the societies should have *The Christian Sun*.

MRS. ROY D. COULTER, *Superintendent*.

The Young People's Report was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

The following is a list of Young People's Societies, with their membership: Antioch, 36; Antioch, Junior, 19; Linville, 12; New Hope, 26; Timber Ridge, 10; Winchester, 23. Total membership, 128.

The Junior Pilgrim Fellowship was organized in October, 1938, with an enrollment of 19. Offerings for the nine months amounted to \$8.00, which was enrollment of 19. Offerings for the nine months amounted to \$8.00 which was turned over to the Young People's Missionary Society to help on the goal. For program material we used the Junior Life Sunday School paper and other missionary books.

EARLENE ANDES, *Secretary*.

The Corresponding Secretary, Miss Helen Showalter, reported that there are 9 women's, 6 young people and 5 cradle roll societies in the Conference. The traveling library, of which she had charge, had four books, i. e., *Tales from India*, *The Untouchables' Quest*, *City Man* and *Moving Millions*. The churches using this library were Antioch, Bethel, Leaksville, New Hope, Newport and Winchester, at an average cost of 36 cents. Her postage bill was \$2.00. Report adopted.

The report of Mrs. Lillian M. Eaton, Superintendent of Life Memberships, came to the Secretary too late to be presented at Conference. She reported a life membership from Winchester for Mrs. K. H. Sale.

An address was given by Mr. Leslie Wing of Poplar, Mont. His subject was "Life On the Indian Reservation."

Report of the Resolutions Committee was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, having enjoyed the fellowship of this body and feeling the need of a deeper fellowship with Him who said "Go ye," submit the following resolutions:

1. That we apply more time to the reading of the word of God, and taking Paul's advice to Timothy. Study to show ourselves approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.
2. That we join the religious forces of the world against war, and pray that the Son of Righteousness arise with healing in his wings for the troubled nations of the world.

3. That we vote, teach and live our influence against intemperance.
4. That we extend to the Program Committee our appreciation of their splendid program for today's session.
5. That we express by a rising vote our thanks to the Mt. Olivet congregation for their cordial hospitality.

MRS. NANNIE MONGER,
MRS. S. A. JENKINS,
MRS. MARY DAVIS,
Committee.

Committee on Place reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE.

We have received an invitation from Linville for the Conference next year.
ANNA LOU SHOWALTER.

The invitation was accepted.

The following bills were presented and ordered paid:

Chart, Programs, and Cards	\$.55
Expense for Guest Speaker	2.40
Postage Bills	4.30
Total	\$ 7.25

Hymn: "Jesus Calls Us."

An offering was taken, amounting to \$5.93.

The report of the Nominating Committee was presented and after some changes was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your committee, submit the following for the several offices:

President—Mrs. K. H. Sale.

Vice-President—Mrs. S. A. Jenkins.

Secretary—Miss Helen Showalter.

Treasurer—Miss Verdie Showalter.

Superintendent of Life Memberships and Memorials—Mrs. Roy Larrick.

Superintendent of Young People and Juniors—Mrs. R. A. Whitten.

Superintendent of Cradle Roll Department—Miss Mabel Higgs.

Superintendent of Literature and Mite Boxes—Mrs. Lena Sours.

Superintendent of Spiritual Life—Miss Opal Oats.

MRS. E. LENA ROTHGEB,
MRS. J. E. BRYANT,
MRS. A. W. ANDES,
MRS. LUTHER JOHNSON,
MRS. SAMUEL EARMAN,
Committee.

The installation service was conducted by Rev. Roy D. Coulter.

A check-up on the Goals shows the following:

Antioch	100%	Winchester	100%
Bethel	85%	Mt. Olivet (R)	85%
Newport	40%		

The minutes were read and approved.

Rev. Mr. Coulter led the closing prayer.

The Conference adjourned to meet at Linville in 1940.

MRS. K. H. SALE, *President.*
MRS. B. F. FRANK, *Secretary.*

Ministerial Directory

Name	Address	Year Ordained	Churches Served 1939-1940
§Andes, William J.,	4717 Duke St., Durham, N. C.	1926	Happy Home, Hank's Chapel.
‡Apple, J. Frank,	427 Rowland St., Henderson, N. C.	1916	Henderson, Pleasant Ridge.
‡Atkinson, J. O.,	Elon College, N. C.	1893	Secretary of Mission Board.
‡Bowden, D. J.,	Elon College, N. C.	1937	Elon College Faculty.
‡Brady, E. Carl,	Box 26, Hemp, N. C.	1928	Brown's Chapel, Mt. Pleasant, Needham's Grove, Pleasant Cross.
‡Brittle, R. E.,	R. 5, Suffolk, Va.	1929	Bethlehem (N.), Cypress Chapel, Union (S).
‡Carden, J. S.,	906 Shepherd St., Durham, N. C.	1902	Mt. Hermon.
*Carter, E. M.,	Youngsville, N. C.	1900	Damascus, Fuller's Chapel, Good Hope, Martha's Chapel, Mt. Auburn, Youngsville.
‡Cornwell, Kenneth,	General Delivery, Portsmouth, Va.	1939	
‡Councill, H. G., Jr.,	New Haven, Conn.	1938	Canterbury, Conn.
‡Cox, H. V.,	Ramseur, N. C.	1928	Bennett, New Center.
§Coulter, R. D.,	New Market, Va.	1919	Bethlehem, Concord, Mayland, Palmyra, Whistler's Chapel, Wood's Chapel.
‡Crutchfield, G. C.,	R. 4, Burlington, N. C.	1922	Bethlehem, Berea, Pleasant Hill.
‡Crutchfield, H. E.,	Windsor, Va.	1925	Antioch, Isle of Wight, Mt. Carmel, Windsor.
*Cummings, J. C.,	Hemp, N. C.	1938	Christian Light, Clayton, Hayes Chapel.
‡Denison, W. H.,	760 Ferguson Ave., Dayton, Ohio	1896	Retired General Council Secretary. Open for Stewardship Institutes.
*Denton, J. A.,	Apex, N. C.	1927	Ebenezer, Grace's Chapel, Zion, Glendon.
‡Dollar, Jesse H.,	2308 Roanoke Ave., Newport News, Va. ..	1923	Newport News.
‡Dollar, Melvin, R. 3,	Burlington, N. C.	1939	Carolina, Concord, Bethel, Mt. Zion.
‡Earp, B. J.,	Paces, Va.	1913	Ingram, Elk Spur, Ivy Hill, Rocky Ford.
‡Edwards, W. J.,	Ramseur, Va.		Retired.
‡Elmore, O. A.,	703 Efrid St., Albemarle, N. C.	1933	Albemarle.
Flowers, A. R.,	Sims, N. C.	1898	Field Secretary.
‡Fogleman, J. U.,	Snow Camp, N. C.	1926	Religious Survey for Government.
*Foster, J. L.,	Elon College, N. C.	1886	Six Forks, Niagara, Graham.
*Franks, Jesse H.,	R. 4, Raleigh, N. C.	1915	Business.

MINISTERIAL DIRECTORY—Continued.

Name	Address	Year Ordained	Churches Served 1939-1940
†French, Joe A., R. 3, Hickory, Va.	1928	Ocean View, Berea (N).
§Fuller, W. B., Harrisonburg, Va.	1916	Business.
†Garman, W. H., 1303 27th St., Norfolk, Va.	1907	Old Zion, Norfolk.
||Granger, A. L., Jr., 205 N. Church St., Asheboro, N. C.	1939	Asheboro.
||Green, T. J., R. 1, Ramseur, N. C.	1915	Pleasant Grove.
*Green, Edward F., B. 832, Southern Pines, N. C.	1899	Business.
*Grissom, R. T., Butes Creek, N. C.	1932	Amelia, Auburn, Lebanon, Lee's Chapel, New Elam, Plymouth, Turner's Chapel.
†Hardcastle, H. S., 272 E. 39th St., Norfolk, Va.	1915	Christian Temple, Norfolk.
†Harrell, S. C., 1010 W. Markham St., Durham, N. C.	1910	First, Durham.
*Hilliard, H. C., Cary, N. C.	1932	.....
†House, R. Lee, 3206 Grove Ave., Richmond, Va.	1929	First, Richmond.
*Howard, B. J., Chapel Hill, N. C.	1919	Business.
†Hurst, Sam N., Driver, Va.	1939	.....
†Jackson, Wm. P., 15 Larchmont Road, Asheville, N. C.	1895	Asheville.
†Jay, W. M., 2026 Academy St., Winston-Salem, N. C.	1910	First, Winston-Salem.
†Johnson, I. W., Suffolk, Va.	1899	Berea (Nans.), Liberty Springs, Oakland.
*Johnson, J. Lee, Fuqua Springs, N. C.	1911	Bethel, Catawba Springs, Piney Plain, Pleasant Hill, Pleasant Union, Wake Chapel, Wentworth.
†Johnson, S. M., R. R., Swannanoa, N. C.	1902	Retired.
†Jones, E. W., 404 High St., Franklin, Va.	1928	Franklin, Johnson's Grove.
†Knight, John H., 129 Hardy St., Norfolk, Va.	1930	First, Norfolk.
||Lankford, G. O., Elon College, N. C.	1907	Retired.
†Lassiter, L. L., Suffolk, Va.	1900	Business.
*Lee, J. H., R. R., Raleigh, N. C.	Retired.
†Lester, F. C., Elon College, N. C.	1916	Promotional Secretary of Convention.
†Lightbourne, J. H., 401 Church St., Burlington, N. C.	1915	First, Burlington.
†Lincoln, C. Arthur, Tryon, N. C.	1905	Erskine Memorial, Tryon.

1934	Lowdermilk, B. H., Ramseur, N. C.	Bailey's Grove, Pleasant Union, Spoon's Chapel, Union Grove.
1927	†Lowe, T. N., 314 N. 8th St., Hopewell, Va.	Hopewell.
1925	†Lucas, A. L., Pisgah, N. C.	Providence Chapel.
1920	*McCauley, J. E., R. 1, Henderson, N. C.	Liberty Vance, Mt. Gilead, Pleasant Grove.
1929	*Madren, S. E., Franklinton, N. C.	Mt. Carmel, New Hope, Oak Level, Pope's Chapel.
1924	†Martin, W. C., Biscoe, N. C.	Business.
1938	†Moody, C. L., Jr., Woodmont, Conn.	Woodmont, Student at Yale Divinity School.
1934	†Moffitt, D. R., Coleridge, N. C.	Business.
1915	†Moore, W. C., 326 N. Bradford, Dover, Del.	Epworth, Maryland.
1911	†Morgan, J. Frank, 3507 Bainbridge Blvd., Norfolk, Va.	Rosemont.
1936	*Neese, J. E., W. Boxford, Mass.	West Boxford and Student at Andover Newton Theological Seminary.
1929	†Neese, J. L., B. 736, Reidsville, N. C.	First, Reidsville.
1902	†Newman, C. E., Virgilina, Va.	Hebron, Lebanon, Liberty, Union (Va.), Virgilina.
1883	†Newman, J. U., Elon College, N. C.	Elon College Faculty.
1891	†Newman, N. G., R. 2, Windsor, Va.	Retired.
1919	§Newton, R. E., Luray, Va.	Leakesville, Newport, Mt. Lebanon, Dry Run, Joppa.
1918	†Olejar, George R., B. 137, R. 2, Disputanta, Va.	Bethlehem (Dispt.).
1917	†O'Neill, Wm. B., Holland, Va.	Holland.
1887	†Patton, J. W., Elon College, N. C.	Masonic Lecturer.
1926	†Pearce, George, 104 High St., Franklin, Va.	Business.
1923	†Pollard, M. A., 1612 Buffalo St., Greensboro, N. C.	Palm Street, Greensboro.
1918	†Poulson, M. S., 1057 Leckie St., Portsmouth, Va.	Shelton Memorial, Portsmouth.
1916	†Poythress, O. D., 1214 Guerriere St., So. Norfolk, Va.	South Norfolk.
1935	†Pugh, J. Q., R. 1, Asheboro, N. C.	
1938	†Phillips, S. W., 1508 Elm Ave., Portsmouth, Va.	Elm Avenue, Portsmouth.
1900	†Raymond, C. Rexford, Sunbury, N. C.	Damascus, Eure, Oak Grove, Pastor Emeritus of Southern Pines.
1903	†Roberts, J. M., Windsor, Va.	Union (S).
1933	*Robinson, Allyn P., 14 Bagwell St., Raleigh, N. C.	United Church, Raleigh.
1904	†Rountree, H. E., c/o U. S. Navy Chaplain Corps	Now on sea duty.
1918	§Sanger, P. B., Free Union, Va.	Antioch, Beulah, Linville, New Hope.
1902	*Seri, Elmer W., Lone Oak, Delawan, Wis.	Retired, Lecturer.
1923	†Scott, Wm. T., 117 W. Forsyth St., Jacksonville, Fla.	Superintendent of Florida and Georgia Conference. (Page 149)

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Name	Address	Year Ordained	Churches Served 1939-1940
†Shelton, Chas. Eldred,	100 N. Negley St., Pittsburg, Pa.	1900	Retired.
†Smith, H. Shelton,	Duke University, Durham, N. C.	1915	Duke Faculty.
†Slater, Arnold,	Holland, Va.	1932	Holy Neck.
†Smith, J. Howard,	Y. M. C. A., Lynchburg, Va.	1934	First, Lynchburg.
†Smith, L. E.,	Elon College, N. C.	1905	Elon Community, President of Elon College.
*Sorrrell, M. T.,	162 Third Ave., Danville, Va.	1923	Third Avenue, Danville.
†Spence, D. M.,	Sophia, N. C.	1928	Flint Hill (R), First, High Point, Sophia.
†Stevens, W. M.,	R. 2, Burlington, N. C.	1934	Union (N.C.), Student at Duke University.
||Tally, Geo. M.,	R. 3, Sanford, N. C.	1931	Antioch (R), Big Oak, Parks Cross Roads, Shiloh, Christian Chapel, Moore's Union.
*Todd, Aubrey C.,	6 Third St., Sanford, N. C.	1939	Sanford, Shallow Well.
†Truitt, John G.,	214 Main St., Suffolk, Va.	1916	First, Suffolk.
†Veazey, G. H.,	Belew Creek, N. C.	1921	Belew Creek, Pleasant Ridge, Salem Chapel.
*Voss, Carl H.,	409 Prospect St., New Haven, Conn.	1935	Student at Yale University.
†Warren, J. H.,	1925 Cottage Toll Road, Norfolk, Va.	1911	Little Creek, Norfolk, Mt. Zion.
†Watkins, B. H.,	Wakefield, Va.	1933	Barrett's, Burton's Grove, Ivor, Wakefield.
§Weekley, M. L.,	R. 6, Harrisonburg, Va.	1901	Retired.
†Wehrnberg, Ed. L.,	Woodsdale, N. C.	1912	Teacher at Indian School, Persons County.
†Whitten, R. A.,	12 W. Clifford St., Winchester, Va.	1923	First, Winchester, Timber Ridge.
§Williamson, R. L.,	Fountain Ave., Charlottesville, Va.	1905	Retired.
†Wiseman, W. E.,	315 N. Edgeworth Ave., Greensboro, N. C.	1930	First, Greensboro.
†Wright, T. Fred,	Waverly, Va.	1924	Waverly, Spring Hill, Centerville.
†Wyrick, L. L.,	Elon College, N. C.	1917	Shallow Ford, Antioch (C).

SERVING CHURCHES WITHIN THE CONVENTION.

McKee, W. I., Chapel Hill, N. C. Presby. Chapel Hill, University of North Carolina Faculty.
Taylor, V. O., 65 Bennett St., Southern Pines, N. C. Presby. Church of Wide Fellowship, Southern Pines.

LICENTIATES.

†Brooks, Thomas, Boys School, Asheville, N. C.
 ‡Church, Forrest E., R. 4, Reidsville, N. C.
 †Cox, F. M., 16½ Burke St., Winston-Salem, N. C.
 †Cross, Thomas B., B. 46, R. 1, Greensboro, N. C.
 *Grissom, W. A., New Haven, Conn.
 *Grissom, M. L., Jr., Buies Creek, N. C.
 †Hedgebeth, Emmanuel, New Haven, Conn.
 †Huber, L. E., Belgian Congo, Africa
 †Loman, Harold, B. 212, Denim St., Greensboro, N. C.
 †Martz, Edward E., 826 Wilkerson Ave., Durham, N. C.
 †Nash, D. D., Concord, N. C.
 *Powell, E. M., Henderson, N. C.
 ||Register, Kenneth, Elon College, N. C.

†Sears, Israel I., Gibsonville, N. C.
 *Thomas, Cecil, Ressler Falls, N. Y.
 †Underwood, I. T., Vanceville, N. C.
 †Vore, Duane, Elon College, N. C.

* Eastern North Carolina Conference.

† Eastern Virginia Conference.

‡ North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

\$ Valley of Virginia Conference.

|| Western North Carolina Conference.

On Faculty of Boys' School.

Howard's Chapel, Kallam Grove, Mt. Bethel, New Lebanon, Student at Duke.

Business.

Patterson's Grove.

Student at Yale Divinity School.

Student at Campbell College.

Student at Yale Divinity School.

Gibsonville, Hopedale, Liberty, Randleman.

Apple's Chapel, Hine's Chapel.

Business.

Beulah.

Biscoe, Ether, Flint Hill (M), Shady Grove, Hope Mills. Student at Elon College.

Student at Andover Newton.

Student at St. Lawrence University.

Open for supply work.

Haw River, Long's Chapel, Providence Memorial, Graham.

STATISTICAL TABLE No. 1—FINANCE—VIRGINIA VALLEY CONFERENCE

CHURCH.	Paid on Conference Fund.	Paid on Convention Fund.	Convention Home Missions.	Convention Foreign Missions.	Raised for Elton College.	Raised for Supperannuation.	Raised for Christian Education.	Raised for Orphanage.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Raised by Woman's Society.	Christian Missionary Association.	Total for Current Expenses.	Total Benevolences and Missions.	Total Raised for All Purposes.	Value of Church Property.
Antioch.....	\$ 28.11	\$ 15.00	\$ 36.62	\$ 36.62	\$ 38.98	\$ 12.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 89.52	\$ 291.30	\$ 67.30	\$ 5.00	\$ 497.04	\$ 337.15	\$ 834.19	\$ 3,600
Bethel.....	23.00	9.00	10.00	9.52	16.04	3.15	4.00	14.54	180.30	20.00	.....	279.68	109.25	388.93	6,500
Bethlehem.....	15.00	10.00	14.97	14.97	8.67	.....	2.22	27.82	180.00	.....	5.00	313.19	98.65	411.84	4,500
Beulah.....	.....	.....	3.47	3.48	2.00	.....	.....	2.00	32.00	.....	.....	32.00	10.95	42.95	600
Concord.....	13.10	7.00	3.57	3.57	.....	.....	.....	18.79	70.00	.....	.....	140.07	46.03	186.10	1,200
Dry Run.....	7.00	7.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.01	.....	.....	.....	.....	24.01	24.01	4,000
Joppa.....	5.75	1.45	1.32	1.33	1.50	1.00	.50	3.00	32.65	.....	.....	63.00	15.85	78.85	700
Leakesville.....	69.00	27.00	17.10	17.11	20.40	10.00	.....	29.90	184.48	27.21	.....	433.13	258.92	692.05	6,700
Livville.....	29.00	15.00	42.50	42.50	30.00	18.00	16.08	109.55	360.00	32.00	12.50	767.96	379.13	1,147.09	4,800
Mayland.....	32.50	11.00	7.83	7.83	6.07	.....	.....	15.00	180.00	.....	.....	343.34	80.23	423.57	2,000
Mt. Lebanon.....	5.75	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.80	1.50	1.00	7.50	35.93	.....	.....	65.93	25.00	90.93	1,100
Mt. Olivet (G). ..	46.00	18.00	24.20	24.20	20.00	12.00	8.00	60.00	204.12	.....	.....	663.56	113.25	776.81	2,500
Mt. Olivet (R). ..	2.50	1.50	2.00	2.00	5.83	5.00	2.00	15.00	150.00	3.85	.....	213.43	39.68	253.11	3,000
New Hope.....	2.00	10.09	10.10	10.10	3.75	3.75	2.50	21.32	120.00	16.30	.....	314.69	70.06	384.75	2,000
Newport.....	18.06	10.00	22.71	22.71	12.83	6.81	5.00	49.29	175.49	19.61	.....	294.42	172.39	466.81	2,800
Palmyra.....	11.50	4.50	6.85	6.85	5.00	3.00	2.00	15.00	75.00	.....	.....	330.87	54.70	385.57	1,200
Palmyra.....	46.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	20.00	12.00	8.00	60.00	480.00	.....	.....	902.15	200.00	1,102.15	6,200
Timber Ridge.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.42	100.00	.....	.....	127.20	1.42	128.62	1,000
Whistler's Chapel.....	69.00	27.00	34.52	34.51	30.00	18.00	12.00	74.97	720.00	87.00	5.00	2,469.75	399.25	2,869.00	46,500
Winchester.....	11.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.17	1.00	4.06	6.00	112.00	.....	.....	137.91	40.23	178.14	500
Woods' Chapel.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals.....	\$ 434.77	\$ 190.20	\$ 262.50	\$ 262.06	\$ 225.99	\$ 107.25	\$ 75.36	\$ 630.63	\$ 3,683.27	\$ 273.27	\$ 27.50	\$ 8,389.32	\$ 2,476.15	\$ 10,865.48	\$ 101,400

NOTE.—No report was received from Christian Chapel, East Liberty, Island Ford, St. Peters, or Timber Mountain.

STATISTICAL TABLE No. 2—MISCELLANEOUS—VIRGINIA VALLEY CONFERENCE

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	CHURCH SECRETARY	S. S. SUPERINTENDENT.	Membership Last Year.	Received by Confession.	Total Number Received.	Lost by Death.	Total Number Lost.	Present Membership.	S. S. Officers and Teachers.	Sunday School Enrollment.	Christian Sun Goal.	Sun Subscribers.
†Antioch.	M. W. Mann	E. A. Showalter, Harrisonburg	E. A. Showalter, Harrisonburg	106	3	4		1	109	13	72	20	14
*Bethel.	M. W. Mann	Mrs. N. O. Monger, R. 2, Elkton	Mrs. N. O. Monger, R. 2, Elkton	166	10	10	2	2	174	13	98	10	8
Bethlehem.	R. D. Coulter	Miss Ella Pickering, Broadway	Miss Ella Pickering, Broadway	96			1	4	92	18	100	10	10
Beulah.	M. W. Mann	Mrs. Joe Tibbons, Kezletown	Mrs. Joe Tibbons, Kezletown	25				1	24	11	35	5	1
Concord.	R. D. Coulter	Mrs. Russell Smith, R. 1, Timberville	Mrs. Russell Smith, R. 1, Timberville	94	3	4		36	62	9	44	5	1
Dry Run.	C. G. Scannell	Wm. Burke, Seven Fountains	Wm. Burke, Seven Fountains	89	8	8	2	3	94	8	53	8	1
Island Ford.	M. W. Mann	Miss Louise Bowman, Edinburg	Miss Louise Bowman, Edinburg	28					28			5	
Joppe.	C. G. Scannell	R. O. Rothgeb, Luray, Va.	R. O. Rothgeb, Luray, Va.	39					39	9	23	5	1
*Leavesville.	C. G. Scannell	Miss Sallie Payne, R. 2, Harrisonburg	Miss Sallie Payne, R. 2, Harrisonburg	171	9	10	2	3	178	16	83	20	12
*Linville.	M. L. Weekley	Miss Charlotte V. Hillyard, Broadway	Miss Charlotte V. Hillyard, Broadway	174	14	16			190	16	159	15	6
Mayland.	R. D. Coulter	Mrs. Allene Kite, R. 1, Shenandoah	Mrs. Allene Kite, R. 1, Shenandoah	102	1	1	2	2	101	8	58	15	4
Mt. Lebanon.	C. G. Scannell	Miss Thelma Morris, Dyke	Miss Thelma Morris, Dyke	104					1	103	6	46	8
*Mt. Olivet (G).	M. W. Mann	Miss Ethel Lam, R. 2, Elkton	Miss Ethel Lam, R. 2, Elkton	96	2	15	3	3	108	18	130	18	10
*Mt. Olivet (R).	M. W. Mann	H. E. Liskey, RFD, Harrisonburg	H. E. Liskey, RFD, Harrisonburg	117	2	7	1	1	123	12	130	12	7
*New Hope.	M. L. Weekley	C. W. Louderback, R. 1, Shenandoah	C. W. Louderback, R. 1, Shenandoah	40	23	25		3	62	8	74	8	5
*Newport.	C. G. Scannell	Mrs. Shirley Oliphant	Mrs. Shirley Oliphant	157	1	1	5	5	153	8	136	10	4
†Palmyra.	R. D. Coulter	Walton Brill, Hooks Mill, W. Va.	Walton Brill, Hooks Mill, W. Va.	91	1	3	4	5	89	12	47	5	5
†Timber Ridge.	R. A. Whitten	Miss Edna L. Eitel, Mt. Jackson	Miss Edna L. Eitel, Mt. Jackson	226			1	6	219	15	75	15	5
Whistler's Chapel.	R. D. Coulter	Roy A. Larrock, 367 E. Piccadilly St.	Roy A. Larrock, 367 E. Piccadilly St.	74	17	17	2	2	89	7	62	5	2
*†Winchester.	R. A. Whitten	Roy Stroop, New Market	Roy Stroop, New Market	230	6	7	1	2	235	16	145	20	10
Woods Chapel.	R. D. Coulter			127			2	3	124	6	38	5	5
Totals.				2352	100	129	34	85	2396	229	1588	320	110

*Woman's Missionary Society.

†Young People's Society.

‡Apportionment raised in full.

STATISTICAL TABLE NO. 1—FINANCE—EASTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

CHURCH.	Paid on Conference Fund.	Paid on Convention Fund.	Paid on Conference Missions.	Paid on Convention Home Missions.	Paid on Convention Foreign Missions.	Raised for Elton College.	Raised for Superrannuation.	Raised for Christian Education.	Raised for Orphanage.	Total Paid on Apportionment.	Raised by Woman's Missionary Society.	Raised for Christian Missionary Ass'n.	Other Benevolences and Missions.	Total Benevolences and Missions.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Paid on Current Expense by Church and Auxiliaries.	Amount Paid on Indebtedness.	GRAND TOTAL.	Value of Church Property.	Indebtedness on Church Property.
Antioch.....	\$ 2	2	3	5	5	7	3	2	23	47	36			\$ 76	250	\$ 404		\$ 468	\$ 1,000	
Barrett's.....	6	5	5	5	5	10	2	2	6	40	138			42	180			311	1,000	
Berea (Nansemond).....	2	25	25	25	25	50	6	5	100	267			\$ 100	505	420	605		1,105	15,000	
Berea (Norfolk).....	5	35	26	35	35	85	15	5	33	274	62	25	20	382	520	1,515		1,963	9,000	
Bethlehem (Nans.).....	15	45	35	19	19	50	25	7	102	317	290	10		616	660			1,501	5,000	
Bethlehem (Disp'nta).....	4	5	5	3	3	3	2	1	2	28	4	2		30	804	1,257		1,297	4,500	
Burton's Grove.....	2	3	5	1	6	5	2	1	5	31	11		13	64	180	239		303	500	
Centerville.....	4	4	3	4	2	7	1	1	4	30				105	120	37		1,000		
Christian Temple.....	35	225	150	249	343	530	125	40	194	1,891	485	170		2,651	2,700	13,296	\$ 4,504	15,947	259,000	\$ 25,350
Cypress Chapel.....						12	4	5	65	86	176		9	263	600	1,399		1,662	20,000	570
Damascus.....	2	20	2	5	10	20	3	1	7	26	77		21	137	328	1,392		1,711	1,200	
Dendron.....	20	9	50	5	4	12	17	4	55	162	26	20	30	116	1,300	1,055		2,900	8,000	
Elm Ave. Portsmouth.....						4				51	48		20	228	1,328	2,671		2,887	2,500	
Eure.....	5	7	10	11	33	25	30	10	75	272	74	19		366	1,800	3,214	361	3,580	45,000	1,217
First, Norfolk.....	10	29	20	45	61	150	25	10	65	441	109	40		591	1,800	3,257	428	3,847	75,000	3,800
First, Portsmouth.....	5	45	35	45	40	104	20	10	100	404	50		130	455	900	2,645	536	3,100	120,000	11,500
First, Richmond.....	10	45	35	40	40	104	20	10	100	404	50			455	1,051	2,998		4,049	44,000	
Franklin.....	18	85	73	85	34	192	35	15	125	662	315	5		1,076	1,400	3,325		4,349	40,000	
Holland.....	25	85	74	85	85	191	35	15	225	820	222	25	9	521	1,500	2,718		3,239	12,100	
Holy Neck.....	6	25	20	25	25	75	15	5	82	258	232	30		521	1,500	2,718		3,239	12,100	
Hopewell.....										3	3		10	16	351	507		523	7,000	1,000
Ile of Wight C. H.....	6	12	10	10	10	25	5	2	25	105	56		32	193	225	466		660	3,000	
Ivor.....	3	1	2	5	5				13	18				19	102	169		183	5,500	
Johnson's Grove.....									15	25				20	125	164			2,000	
Liberty Spring.....	12	50	40	50	50	100	30	10	100	442	300	100		840	600	982		1,822	20,000	
Little Creek.....															100			330	2,000	
Mt. Carmel.....	7	6		32	32	17		5	106	205	116		24	347	350	771		1,118	5,000	
Mt. Zion.....	10		4			7	1		6	20				10	120			222	2,500	
New Lebanon.....	7	7	3	7	85	185	41	81	14	46	17			45	120		8	1,442	3,500	254
Newport News.....	18	85	80	97	85	185	41	81	116	788	103	145	120	1,147	1,925	5,886	1,400	7,033	30,000	4,700
Oakland.....	7	40	35	40	40	75	20	10	100	367	99	10		475	600	1,257		1,703	15,000	

Oak Grove.....	7	3	11	.....	9	3	3	14	50	.....	16	198	426	.....	492	25,000
Ocean View.....	2	4	5	6	10	4	.....	10	46	22	20	87	1,458	121	1,545	6,000	
Old Zion.....	55	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	81	143	.....	.....	144	3,138	475	.....	275
Rosemont.....	15	90	60	122	175	25	5	396	1,010	281	40	1,820	9,640	.....	11,020	48,000	
Shelton Memorial.....	.....	.....	32	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	96	.....	20	1,380	1,772	.....	1,856	26,000
Spring Hill.....	5	13	5	12	8	2	3	13	70	8	5	79	120	193	272	1,250		
Spring Hill.....	35	400	300	300	447	165	82	918	2,915	812	245	660	4,632	3,000	15,719	167,000		
Suffolk.....	12	70	60	300	413	.....	.....	85	663	78	30	2,343	10,187	6,285	10,639	90,000
South Norfolk.....	5	10	.....	5	20	4	.....	18	71	5	.....	76	150	539	615	2,500
Union, S'hampton.....	3	5	.....	3	3	.....	.....	25	47	.....	.....	84	300	300	.....	4,500
Union, S'hampton.....	2	6	7	5	5	3	3	14	67	51	12	130	520	1,665	1,784	12,000		
Wakefield.....	12	18	25	40	35	20	5	49	244	64	35	654	1,380	.....	1,727	16,000	
Waverly.....	.....	30	30	30	40	15	5	100	291	103	.....	500	993	175	1,339	6,500
Windsor.....	6	30	30	30	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,750
Totals.....	\$ 405	\$1,529	\$1,293	\$1,484	\$1,902	\$2,725	\$ 715	\$ 359	\$3,514	\$ 13,899	\$ 993	\$1,461	\$ 20,973	\$ 34,715	\$ 99,243	\$ 21,399	\$1,174,550	\$ 94,574

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CHURCH.	PASTOR.	CHURCH SECRETARY	S. S. SUPERINTENDENT.	Membership Last Year.	Received by Confession.	Total Number Received.	Lost by Death.	Total Number Lost.	Present Membership.	S. S. Officers and Teachers.	Sunday School Enrollment.	Christian Sun Goal.	Sun Subscribers
*†Antioch.....	H. E. Crutchfield.....	J. H. Godwin, Windsor.....	J. F. Godwin, Windsor.....	184	10	13	2	5	193	12	62	12	12
Barretts.....	P. B. Barrett, Sedley.....	P. B. Barrett, Sedley.....	Wallace Ellsworth, Sedley.....	73	1	1	1	1	73	6	58	8	8
*†Berea (Nansmond). ..	L. W. Johnson.....	Mrs. H. F. Harrell, Driver.....	L. C. March, Driver.....	102	7	10	2	4	108	10	110	12	10
*†Bethlehem (Disp.). ..	George Olejar.....	Leon Parker, Portsmouth.....	P. L. Nichols, Hickory.....	161	5	5	5	6	166	16	180	18	17
*†Bethlehem (Nans). ..	R. E. Brittle.....	Andrew Moncol, Disputanta.....	John Tomko, Jr., Disputanta.....	131	1	1	2	3	132	8	80	10	1
*†Burton's Grove.....	B. H. Watkins.....	J. W. Folk, Suffolk.....	C. F. Savage, R. 3, Suffolk.....	437	15	28	6	6	489	16	281	35	22
*†Centerville.....	T. F. Wright.....	E. W. Carroll, Wakefield.....	Carl Barrett, Wakefield.....	38	1	1	1	2	37	6	55	6	2
*†Christian Temple.....	H. S. Hardcastle.....	J. E. Bishop, Jr., Disputanta.....	G. W. Bain, Disputanta.....	57	1	1	1	2	55	6	24	6	2
*†Cypress Chapel.....	R. E. Brittle.....	Russell S. Marshall, Norfolk.....	L. G. Robinson, 622 Va. Av., N. Hk.....	889	27	65	6	25	929	35	322	100	40
*†Damascus.....	C. R. Raymond.....	Roy Brinkley, Suffolk.....	J. C. Lynch, Cypress Chapel.....	321	9	14	11	16	319	29	210	35	9
*†Dendron.....	C. R. Raymond.....	J. E. Corbett, Sunbury, N. C.....	Fletcher Corbett, Sunbury, N. C.....	191	1	5	2	24	172	9	74	20	9
*†Eure.....	C. R. Raymond.....	W. S. Barrett, Dendron.....	E. T. Atkinson, Dendron.....	46	9	14	4	9	37	12	50	10	10
*†Franklin.....	E. W. Jones.....	J. H. Lilley, Eure, N. C.....	T. A. Eure, Eure, N. C.....	322	2	21	1	2	310	21	278	40	36
*†Holland.....	E. W. O'Neill.....	Samuel Bradshaw, Franklin.....	D. W. Jones, Franklin.....	291	2	4	4	4	389	22	211	35	35
*†Holy Neck.....	Arnold Slater.....	Mrs. Frances J. Waldo, Holland.....	H. F. Waldo, Jr., Holland.....	389	5	17	5	7	395	18	200	30	22
*†Hopewell.....	T. N. Lowe.....	Emmett Harrell, Holland.....	H. L. Worrell, Holland.....	245	13	13	1	2	255	18	200	30	22
*†Isle of Wight.....	H. E. Crutchfield.....	Mrs. G. H. Robertson, Hopewell.....	F. W. Lowe, Hopewell.....	160	13	13	1	2	171	11	80	10	5
Ivor.....	B. H. Watkins.....	Mrs. W. E. Wills, Isle of Wight.....	S. Ray Turner, Isle of Wight.....	55	3	35	1	1	89	12	85	10	8
Johnson's Grove.....	E. W. Jones.....	Mrs. J. S. Bryant, Ivor.....	Samuel Brittle, Wakefield.....	29	2	3	3	3	32	6	33	5	3
*†Liberty Spring.....	I. W. Johnson.....	Mrs. B. F. Hancock, Sedley.....	B. F. Hancock, Sedley.....	75	7	18	1	11	379	16	189	40	1
Little Creek.....	H. E. Crutchfield.....	Parke C. Brinkley, Suffolk.....	I. P. Byrd, Suffolk.....	372	3	36	6	7	220	21	178	22	1
*†Mt. Carmel.....	J. H. Warren.....	B. W. Hudson, Norfolk.....	O. E. Hudgins, Norfolk.....	215	3	12	4	4	52	13	72	8	...
*†Mt. Zion.....	J. H. Warren.....	Mrs. F. H. Johnson, Walters.....	W. V. Joyner, Walters, Va.....	56	1	1	1	1	70	7	57	6	...
New Lebanon.....	J. H. Dollar.....	Mrs. John Lee Gray, Edinse.....	Geo. Fields, Edinse, Va.....	71	12	22	1	15	381	38	287	50	58
*†Newport News.....	J. H. Knight.....	Mrs. R. E. Fulley, 311 Pa. Av., Hampton.....	C. E. Williams, 1233 24th St.....	374	2	12	6	9	395	19	171	40	...
*†Norfolk, First.....	J. W. Johnson.....	Aubrey Hall, 1409 Colon Av., Norfolk.....	G. C. Griffin, Windsor.....	322	13	13	2	3	367	12	217	35	25
*†Oakland.....	C. R. Raymond.....	Mrs. J. Rollie Gayle, Carrollton.....	G. E. Rountree, Sunbury, N. C.....	353	18	11	2	14	31	7	85	10	10
*†Oak Grove.....	J. A. French.....	H. A. Beamon, Gatesville, N. C.....	W. H. T. Smith, Norfolk.....	75	6	9	3	3	70	11	91	12	6
*†Ocean View.....	W. H. Garman.....	Mrs. D. F. Brown, Norfolk.....	W. W. Starnes, 6818 Granby, N. Hk.....	83	14	14	4	8	430	20	330	25	1
*†Old Zion.....	S. W. Phillips.....	W. W. Stearnes, Norfolk.....	C. A. Withenon, Portsmouth.....	424	3	5	5	5	68	10	70	10	1
*†Elm Ave., Ports.....	S. W. Phillips.....	John D. Phillips, Portsmouth.....	C. A. Withenon, Portsmouth.....	63	3	5	5	5	68	10	70	10	1

*†First, Portsmouth.	R. L. House.....	E. M. Story, Portsmouth.....	H. W. Lee, 1708 Matthews Terrace.	122	2	18	140	16	167	22	24
*†Shelton Memorial.	M. S. Poulson.....	W. F. Lawrence, 1724 Matthews Terrace.	E. O. Wood, 623 Riverview Ave.	82	7	14	82	11	51	8	8
*†Richmond, First.	J. E. McCauley.....	Mrs. C. W. Woodward, 18 Albemarle Av.	R. C. Parsons, Richmond.	170	19	22	161	17	119	22	22
*†Rosemont.	J. F. Morgan.....	W. M. Sparkman, Buell.	H. R. Morrison, 2906 Bainbridge.	409	3	5	418	37	295	44	22
†Spring Hill.	T. F. Wright.....	Mrs. E. B. Richardson, R. 1, Waverly.	G. C. White, Waverly.	72	3	5	74	8	44	8	8
*†Sufolk.	J. G. Truitt.....	J. D. MacClenny, Suffolk.	W. S. Beamon, Suffolk.	1310	31	64	1,345	56	965	140	125
*†South Norfolk.	O. D. Poythress.....	C. E. Hollowell, 1231 Chesapeake Av.	A. B. Cresf, 1101 Jackson St.	525	85	100	585	37	484	40	18
*†Union South.)	R. E. Brittle.....	Norman Winstead, Franklin.	R. H. Joyner, Franklin.	151	1	4	152	11	80	15	5
†Union (Surry)	J. M. Roberts.....	R. T. Brittle, Dendron.	R. T. Brittle, Dendron.	47	1	1	46	5	22	5	2
*†Wakefield.	B. H. Watkins.....	Wallace Brittle, Wakefield.	F. E. Branch, RFD, Waverly.	111	2	5	116	12	94	15	15
*†Waverly.	T. F. Wright.....	R. T. West, Waverly.	B. E. White, Waverly.	221	5	4	222	...	...	22	...
*†Windsor.	H. E. Crutchfield..	Mrs. E. R. Laine, Windsor.	S. T. Holland, Windsor.	125	5	5	129	12	102	12	10
Totals.				9950	338	644	116	371	10,223	680	527

*Woman's Missionary Society.

†Young People's Society.

†Apportionment paid in full.

STATISTICAL TABLE No. 1—FINANCE—WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

CHURCH	Paid on Conference Apportionments.	Paid on Home Missions.	Paid on Foreign Missions.	Raised for College.	Raised for Supernaturation.	Raised for Christian Education.	Raised for Orphanage.	Raised for Other Benevolences.	Raised by Woman's Board.	Total Benevolences and Missions.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Other Current Expenses.	Total Amount Raised.	Value of Church Property.
Antioch (C).....	\$ 18.00		\$ 2.28	\$ 2.35			\$ 6.00			\$ 24.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 25.50	\$ 139.50	\$ 1,500
Antioch (R).....	20.65	Organization					7.28			32.56	75.00	26.23	133.79	800
Asheboro.....	New													
Bailey's Grove.....	4.00	Organ					4.00			8.00	44.58	50.18	102.76	1,000
Bennett.....	11.66		11.00				2.63			25.31	56.33	48.96	130.80	2,950
Big Oak.....	24.52	\$ 3.15	19.57	13.96	\$ 7.48		37.25	\$ 12.00		117.93	160.34	60.90	339.17	
Brown's Chapel.....	20.00	1.62					23.00		\$ 11.00	21.62	54.00	10.06	85.68	1,800
Bisbee.....		3.00	29.32	7.73			23.00			74.05	84.00	38.53	185.68	4,585
Ether.....	25.97	21.84	21.83	2.05	2.16		25.77		\$ 19.00	108.62	100.00	104.75	304.37	450
Flint Hill (M).....		6.38	3.60	1.10	1.71		14.68	53.74	3.00	84.21	48.70	44.20	174.11	500
Flint Hill (R).....	12.00			2.00	1.50	\$ 2.00	1.50	6.00		25.00	27.30	151.80	204.10	2,500
Grace's Chapel.....	40.00	10.00		2.00			49.00	14.60	10.00	125.60	250.00	300.00	665.60	5,000
Graham.....	5.00						22.60			5.00	70.35	17.39	92.74	2,000
Graham Providence Mem.....	10.00	9.00	9.00				90.46		5.00	55.60	300.00	510.68	861.28	
Hank's Chapel.....	80.00	44.13	44.12		11.15		30.87		20.00	289.86	365.12	503.35	1,127.18	3,200
High Point, First.....		6.58	6.59	2.50			46.54			46.54	215.89	210.44	478.87	2,500
Liberty.....	25.00	13.63	13.63	10.00	5.31		46.88	5.00		114.14	230.10	736.47	1,055.71	4,800
Mt. Pleasant.....	10.00	4.59	4.60	4.89			14.34			43.73	120.00	44.26	207.99	3,000
Needham's Grove.....	25.00	2.97		1.00	2.87		20.97	20.20		73.01	63.57	333.81	406.82	700
New Center.....	12.17		1.91				8.93			23.01		34.16	120.74	
Parks Cross Roads.....	64.49	43.28	29.65	15.51	6.02		40.70		40.00	230.65	186.26	147.93	533.84	4,000
Patterson's Grove.....														
Patterson's Grove.....	31.73	8.21	8.21				20.94			69.09	88.40	88.47	245.96	2,400
Pleasant Cross.....	22.88									22.88	200.00		222.88	2,000
Pleasant Grove.....	48.32	60.96	29.41	17.66		7.20	82.51		32.00	278.08	287.32	234.81	768.19	3,000
Pleasant Hill.....	85.00	39.21	39.22	11.70	4.00		81.75	39.11	12.00	310.99	309.50	246.94	771.43	3,000
Pleasant Ridge.....							21.21			27.71	85.00	26.00	138.71	1,200
Pleasant Union.....	5.00	1.50									87.00	18.00	105.00	1,800
Providence Chapel.....														
Ramseur.....	33.85	20.00	20.00	15.60			125.57	61.54	55.00	331.56	300.00	1,440.95	576.56	
Randleman.....	55.00	10.00	10.00				74.41		5.00	154.41	323.00	65.23	1,903.36	5,000
Seagrave.....	45.00		9.37	5.42	3.52		8.95	36.67		108.93	150.00	279.16	279.16	3,000
Shady Grove.....	3.40									3.40	37.25	47.00	87.65	1,100
Shiloh.....	23.97	10.10	5.71	2.75	2.00		11.92			56.45	163.00	158.74	378.19	1,000
Smithwood.....	50.00		9.40				23.70			83.10	298.82	128.85	510.77	6,500
Sophia.....	3.00	1.20	1.21	9.51			7.17			22.09	107.82	142.36	272.27	1,500
Spoon's Chapel.....	10.00	12.38					34.51			56.89	109.20	293.65	359.74	
Union Grove.....	50.00	2.24					10.16	2.24		64.64	102.25	238.00	404.89	1,500
Totals.....	\$ 875.61	\$ 335.97	\$ 329.63	\$ 127.73	\$ 47.72	\$ 9.20	\$ 949.68	\$ 251.10	\$ 212.16	\$ 3,138.80	\$ 5,190.30	\$ 6,534.60	\$14,375.49	\$ 73,535

NOTE.—By vote of Conference, two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for Conference Missions, and a sum sufficient to meet the expenses of the Conference, were deducted from the total raised by the churches on apportionments and retained by the Conference. The balance of the apportionment fund was forwarded to the treasurer of the Convention to be divided on the Convention percentage basis for the Convention causes.

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	CHURCH SECRETARY	S. S. SUPERINTENDENT.	Membership Last Year.	Received by Confession.	Total Number Received.	Lost by Death.	Total Number Lost.	Present Membership.	S. S. Officers and Teachers.	Sunday School Enrollment.	Christian Sun Coal.	Sun Subscribers.
Antioch (C).....	L. L. Wyrick.....	Miss Geanie Oldham, R. 2, Bear Creek.	Mrs. Carl Rives, R. 2, Bear Creek.	88	1	1			89	9	78	9	
Antioch (R).....	G. M. Tally.....	Mrs. Melvin Cain, R. 1, Seagrove.	G. K. Needham, R. 1, Seagrove.	75		1	1	1	74	7	107	7	1
Asheboro.....	A. L. Granger, Jr.....	Mrs. Orva Brown, 621 Straight St.	Hubert Beane, Asheboro.			30			30	8	47	5	5
Bailey's Grove.....	H. V. Lowdermilk.....	Mrs. C. S. Allred, R. 1, Asheboro.	Fred Smith, R. 1, Asheboro.	41			1	5	36	8	72	4	1
Bennett.....	H. W. Cox.....	L. M. Murray, Bennett.	J. C. Phillips, Bennett.	20	4	4			24			2	
†Big Oak.....	G. M. Tally.....	D. E. Cole, R. 1, Biscoe.	S. A. Stevens, R. 1, Biscoe.	145				3	142	8	135	14	
†Biscoe.....	T. J. Green.....	Miss Lola McDuffie, Spies.	G. C. Parker, Biscoe.	227	7	7	4	6	228	12	82	5	
†Browns Chapel.....	E. C. Brady.....	Mrs. John Stacey, Ether.	J. W. H. Moore, Hemp.	37	6	3		1	39	10	85	23	
†Ether.....	T. J. Green.....	Miss Lola Farlow, R. 1, Sophia.	H. J. Cochran, Ether.	38	7	7	1	3	42	7	76	4	
†Flint Hill (M).....	T. J. Green.....	Mrs. Ralph Foushee, R. 1, Sanford.	H. C. Lanier, R. 1, Sophia.	215	1	3	1	1	217	13	90	4	1
†Flint Hill (R).....	D. M. Spence.....	Mrs. D. D. Kernodle, Graham.	A. C. Farrel, R. 1, Sanford.	15					14	18	240	18	
†Graham's Chapel.....	J. A. Denton.....	Mrs. Ella A. Holt, Graham.	J. D. Kernodle, Graham.	58	3	4	1	2	60	7	15	2	
†Graham Pro. Mem.....	J. L. Foster.....	Ralph Riddle, R. 1, Pittsboro.	Robert Russell, Graham.	175	6	9	4	6	178	14	164	6	4
†Hank's Chapel.....	D. N. Vore.....	Miss Velma Dorsett, 331 Emis St.	Herbert Farrell, R. 1, Pittsboro.	110	2	3	1	7	106	12	107	17	7
†High Point, First.....	D. M. Spence.....	Miss Merle Lambert, Biscoe.	W. R. Bray, 324 Pickett St.	51	4	4			55	13	100	11	
†Liberty.....	Harold Loman.....	C. L. Bray, Liberty.	Lester York, Liberty.	40	9	18			58	10	158	4	4
†Mt. Pleasant.....	E. C. Brady.....	Z. V. Brooks, RFD, Cameron.	E. M. Marks, R. 2, Cameron.	85	1	1	1		86	7	76	8	
†Needham's Grove.....	E. C. Brady.....	W. W. Ritter, R. 1, Steeds.	W. W. Ritter, R. 1, Steeds.	94	9	9		4	99	8	127	9	
†New Center.....	H. V. Cox.....	Mrs. L. B. Craven, R. 1, Seagrove.	Henry Cagle, R. 1, Seagrove.	86	8	8	4		90	10	50	9	
†Park's Cross Road.....	G. M. Tally.....	W. R. Rightsell, R. 2, Ramseur.	Howard Cox, R. 2, Ramseur.	189			3	7	182			19	
†Patterson's Grove.....													
†Pleasant Cross.....	E. C. Brady.....	John Q. Pugh, R. 1, Asheboro.	Vernon Burrow, R. 1, Asheboro.	92	4	6	2	3	95	9	115	10	
†Pleasant Grove.....	T. J. Green.....	J. M. Brown, R. 1, Bennett.	Martin Jones, Bennett.	304	26	27	1	5	326	8	193	30	5
†Pleasant Hill.....	J. F. Apple.....	Paul E. Coble, R. 2, Liberty.	W. D. Hinchaw, R. 2, Liberty.	203	18	19	1	2	220	13	246	20	
†Pleasant Ridge.....	J. F. Apple.....	J. C. Browne, R. 1, Ramseur.	Fred Allred, Ramseur.	162	3	4	3	19	147	30	115	16	
†Pleasant Union.....	B. H. Lowdermilk.....	Mrs. A. R. McDowell, Jackson Creek.	Lewis Trotter, Jackson Creek.	36		2	1		37	6	70	4	
†Providence Chapel.....	A. M. Lucas.....	Jason Moore, Hemp.	Osner Moore, Hemp.	45	1	1	1	1	45			4	2
†Ramseur.....	G. M. Tally.....	Mrs. Sue Grimes, Ramseur.	Jason Victory, Ramseur.	122	21	23	1	3	142	18	177	12	
†Randeman.....	Harold Loman.....	W. G. Lamb, Randeman.	Paul Jarrett, Randeman.	117	12	13	1	7	124	13	163	12	
†Seagrove.....	G. M. Tally.....	Mrs. W. L. Fiennikan, Seagrove.	W. L. Fiennikan, Seagrove.	55	4	4	1	1	58	6	83	5	
†Shady Grove.....	T. J. Green.....	Mrs. W. T. Shankle, Ether.	Charlie Singleton.	85	1	1	2	3	83	4	73	8	3
†Shiloh.....	G. M. Tally.....	Earl Burroughs, R. 1, Ramseur.	W. J. Allen, R. 1, Ramseur.	120	1	1			120	8	88	12	4
†Smithwood.....	Harold Loman.....	Thomas B. Lowe, Liberty.	Thomas Lowe, Liberty.	173				3	170	9	163	16	1
†Sophia.....	D. M. Spence.....	Troy Hall, Sophia.	Stacy Hayes, Sophia.	62					62	7	85	6	
†Spoon's Chapel.....	B. H. Lowdermilk.....	Mrs. J. Hancock, Dixon St., Asheboro.	Mrs. M. J. Smith, R. 1, Asheboro.	34	6	7	4	7	37	8	101	3	2
†Union Grove.....	B. H. Lowdermilk.....	W. R. Brown, R. 1, Ramseur.	W. E. Brown, Asheboro.	108	3	4		3	109	7	100	10	4
Totals.....				3534	171	229	33	106	3657	333	3606	362	49

*Woman's Missionary Society. †Young People's Society. ‡Apportionment raised in full.

STATISTICAL TABLE NO. 1—FINANCE—NORTH CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

CHURCH.	Paid on Conference Fund.		Paid on Convention Fund.		Paid on Conference Missions.		Paid on Convention Home Missions.		Paid on Convention Foreign Missions.		Raised for Elon College.		Raised for Supernannation.		Paid on Christian Education.		Raised for Orphanage.		Total Paid on Apportionment.		Raised by Woman's Missionary Society.		Raised for Christian Missionary Asso'n.		Other Benevolences and Missions.		Total Benevolences and Missions.		Paid on Pastor's Salary.		Paid on Current Expense by Church and Auxiliaries.		Amount Paid on Indebtedness.		GRAND TOTAL.		Value of Church Property.		Indebtedness on Church Property.	
	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%
Albemarle.....	7	10	10	10	22	5	2	20	86	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	112	740	1,428	108	1,540	1,221	12,200	4,930														
Apple's Chapel.....	13	35	35	10	88	18	9	88	321	28	28	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	346	412	874	31	1,221	14,800	2,000															
Asheville.....	2	3	4	4	7	3	1	1	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	73	1,225	2,350	622	2,424	12,000	56															
Belew Creek.....	5	13	13	13	34	7	3	34	122	5	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	138	250	69	1,079	1,079	6,000																
Berea.....	5	5	13	13	2	2	22	22	57	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	63	250	1,400	750	1,463	3,000																
Bethel.....	5	5	17	15	10	10	22	57	72	3	3	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	87	242	787	506	874	2,500																
Bethlehem.....	16	42	42	10	106	21	11	106	386	16	16	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	420	500	822	77	1,242	5,000																
Burlington.....	100	140	140	449	272	100	2,526	2,526	4,155	869	140	118	118	118	118	118	118	118	5,282	3,000	11,074	1,899	16,357	103,000	2,250															
Carolina.....	4	8	8	8	20	4	33	33	102	15	15	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	102	520	939	260	1,041	1,200	250															
Concord.....	6	16	19	13	11	8	21	21	98	5	5	280	280	280	280	280	280	280	158	246	280	438	1,500	1,500																
Danville.....	13	184	108	108	88	18	0	366	1,326	25	20	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	153	16,571	6,800	16,724	43,000	6,500																
Durham.....	72	184	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,326	378	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	1,762	21,425	4,968	1,386	6,711	57,000	7,000															
Elk Spur.....	50	128	128	128	320	64	200	200	1,050	295	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	12	900	1,167	2,512	6,000																	
Elon College.....	65	160	260	160	400	80	337	337	1,502	350	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	1,777	2,200	4,856	314	6,634	67,500	2,400															
Gibsonville.....	19	19	19	19	27	12	86	86	162	37	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	491	1,300	2,018	94	2,217	12,000	330															
Greensboro, Palm St.....	10	27	43	43	68	14	13	131	349	6	5	110	110	110	110	110	110	110	179	400	635	100	1,106	5,000																
Happy Home.....	13	10	10	10	25	8	86	86	162	25	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	188	273	3,451	2,900	3,638	5,000																
Haw River.....	2	2	5	5	10	2	20	20	45	1	1	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	60	175	260	320	1,500	1,500																
Hebron.....	13	35	35	35	88	18	9	88	321	26	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	425	400	715	105	1,140	3,600	715															
Hines' Chapel.....	4	9	7	7	10	4	5	2	38	32	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	24	234	362	402	2,500	2,500																
Hopedale.....	1	3	2	2	5	1	12	7	28	15	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	28	93	113	113	142	1,500																
Howard's Chapel.....	13	35	35	35	88	18	9	225	458	30	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	408	400	961	1,459	10,000																	
Ingram.....	4	9	7	7	10	4	5	2	38	32	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	26	2	2	2	4																		
Ivy Hill.....	4	9	10	10	12	5	2	24	76	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	76	100	176	252	3,000																	
Kalam's Grove.....	2	10	10	10	5	2	2	5	38	38	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	40	200	200	240	1,500																	
Lebanon.....	4	10	10	10	5	2	2	5	38	38	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	76	100	176	252	3,000																	
Liberty.....	5	14	2	2	28	8	3	4	58	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	59	1,000	1,777	378	1,997	8,000																
Long's Chapel.....	5	5	17	17	15	15	32	32	109	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	220	1,777	4,425	29	1,997	8,000																
Lynchburg.....	5	5	6	6	40	2	4	13	65	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	99	285	425	29	2,000	2,000																
Monticello.....																																								

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STATISTICAL TABLE NO. 2—MISCELLANEOUS—NORTH CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	CHURCH SECRETARY	S. S. SUPERINTENDENT.	Membership Last Year.	Received by Confession.	Total Number Received.	Lost by Death.	Total Number Lost.	Present Membership.	S. S. Officers and Teachers.	Sunday School Enrollment.	Christian Sun Goal.	Sun Subscribers
*†Albemarle	O. A. Elmore.	Miss Irene Sells, Albemarle.	G. A. Russell, R. 1, Albemarle.	152	10	16	1	4	164	19	228	20	3
†Apple's Chapel.	C. L. Moody.	Mrs. R. E. Apple, Browns Summit.	Russell Busick, Browns Summit.	408	12	17	2	6	419	14	260	48	24
*Asheville.	John Chapman.	Miss Philena Dickey, 132 Spear Av.	N. Scrivener, 77 Montbrow Drive.	115	1	8	1	10	113	14	144	13	...
*Belew Creek.	G. H. Veazey.	Mrs. H. C. Murray, Belew Creek.	J. H. Self, Belew Creek.	113	6	6	1	4	115	18	122	12	6
Berea.	G. C. Crutchfield.	Miss Frona Taylor, Altamahaw.	W. L. Iseley, Altamahaw.	129	1	2	2	2	129	10	135	16	...
Bethel.	J. F. Apple.	Mrs. Ida P. Murray, R. 3, Mebane.	Fletcher O'Farrell, R. 2, Burlington.	152	9	10	9	7	159	6	75	20	...
*†Bethlehem.	G. C. Crutchfield.	Clyde Iseley, R. 4, Burlington.	J. E. Wilkins, R. 2, Elton College.	333	6	9	2	7	335	18	235	36	...
*†Burlington.	J. H. Lighthourne.	E. N. Pearce, Box 916, Burlington.	M. Z. Rhodes, Central Ave.	771	10	26	5	13	784	43	459	92	107
*†Carolina.	Melvin Dollar.	J. W. Trollinger, R. 2, Burlington.	J. W. Trollinger, R., Burlington.	50	3	11	2	3	58	10	120	9	7
*Concord.	J. U. Fogelman.	J. T. Alfred, R. 2, Burlington.	P. Terrell, R. 2, Elton College.	114	5	5	2	2	117	9	59	14	8
*Danville.	M. T. Sorrell.	Mrs. J. H. Dodd, 1503 Washington St.	F. J. Allen, 1240 Myrtle Ave.	570	125	125	10	16	679	35	935	63	3
*Durham.	S. C. Harrell.	A. T. Crutchfield, City Hall, Durham.	E. N. Jones, City Hall, Durham.	464	12	26	1	3	487	34	355	58	42
Elk Spur.	B. J. Earp.	Mrs. W. J. Utt, Fancy Gap, Va.	J. H. Meredith, Fancy Gap, Va.	44	13	19	1	1	62	5	25	10	6
*†Elton College.	L. E. Smith.	Miss Nannie D. Reitzel, Elton College.	W. B. Terrell, Elton College.	436	...	...	10	3	15	431	26	410	52
Gibsonville.	Harold Loman.	Mrs. Marvin Laughlin, Gibsonville.	Merton Simpson, Gibsonville.	...	...	...	30	...	30	...	50	5	...
*†Greensboro, First.	W. E. Wiseman.	R. G. Moffitt, 813 Vance St., Greensboro.	S. D. Scott, 807 Scott Ave.	439	20	30	2	14	455	17	315	54	40
*†Greensboro, Palm St.	M. A. Pollard.	A. H. Hinchaw, 17 Vine St., Greensboro.	S. C. Brady, 44 Spruce St.	299	5	5	1	4	300	13	270	39	...
*†Happy Home.	D. N. Vore.	Mrs. Geo. W. Hill, R. 2, Ruffin.	R. J. Hudson, Reidsville.	127	15	15	2	2	220	11	156	29	20
*†Haw River.	W. J. Andes.	Mrs. Fannie Byrd, Haw River.	Herman Neese, Haw River.	209	29	32	2	16	155	14	156	19	3
*Hebron.	C. E. Newman.	Kent Rice, Nelson, Va.	Kent Rice, Nelson, Va.	133	17	18	4	5	146	7	47	17	7
*†Hines' Chapel.	C. L. Moody.	L. V. Smith, R. 1, McLeansville.	Monroe Martin, McLeansville.	226	2	4	1	6	224	8	168	29	20
Hopedale.	Harold Loman.	Miss Juanita Faucette, R. 3, Burlington.	C. B. Sumner, R. 5, Burlington.	60	4	12	1	4	68	14	189	12	...
Howard's Chapel.	Melvin Dollar.	W. H. Brame, R. 2, Reidsville.	Mary Madison, R. 4, Reidsville.	26	...	...	1	1	25	5	35	3	1
*Ingram.	B. J. Earp.	Mrs. Charlie E. Farrell, Paces, Va.	J. K. Landrum, Vernon Hill, Va.	209	1	9	2	2	216	18	112	24	16
Ivy Hill.	B. J. Earp.	No School.	No School.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kalam's Grove.	C. L. Moody.	Mrs. N. G. Joyner, Madison.	Ivie A. Washburn, R. 2, Madison.	65	5	5	...	...	70	6	56	9	1
Lebanon.	C. E. Newman.	T. J. Earp, Milton.	O. H. Winstead, Semora.	128	5	7	...	1	134	6	26	16	...
Liberty.	C. E. Newman.	James T. Whitt, Nathalie, Va.	No Report.	177	...	...	...	...	177	...	...	22	...
*Long's Chapel.	G. C. Crutchfield.	J. W. Johnston, R. 5, Burlington.	No Report.	163	...	...	...	...	163	...	...	21	...
*Lynchburg.	J. Howard Smith.	E. J. Hopkins, 1519 Clinton Av.	J. W. Tolley, 1606 McKinney Ave.	114	16	19	1	26	107	13	110	14	12
*Monticello.	E. J. Sanderson.	Miss Alma Faucette, Browns Summit.	J. E. Cumble, Browns Summit.	70	...	...	1	2	69	8	78	8	6
*†Mt. Bethel.	C. L. Moody.	Miss Ethel Friddle, Stokesdale.	F. Lester, R. 1, Summerfield.	129	6	6	2	2	133	9	83	16	12

*Mt. Zion.....	J. F. Apple.....	W. H. Lynch, R. 3, Mebane.....	157	3	4	1	8	153	7	99	19	6
*New Lebanon.....	J. L. Neese.....	Miss Carrie Sharpe, R. 1, Summerfield..	216	3	3	1	1	218	10	150	26	15
5*Pleasant Grove.....	D. N. Vore.....	Mrs. Elizabeth Sipe, News Ferry, Va.....	280			3	10	270	11	95	35	
*Pleasant Ridge.....	G. H. Veazey.....	Henry Robinson, Summerfield.....	45	2	2	2	3	44	6	66	10	
*Reidsville.....	J. L. Neese.....	Mrs. C. W. Geringer, 36 Montgomery St.	538	29	29	3	14	553	23	441	62	
Rocky Ford.....	B. J. Earr.....	Mrs. Curtis Easter, R. 5, Mt. Airy.....	74	15	15	1	4	85	8	125	9	5
*Salem Chapel.....	G. H. Veazey.....	Miss Selma Marshall, Walnut Cove.....	127	3	3	1	2	128	7	107	16	6
*Shallow Ford.....	L. L. Wyrick.....	Samuel Barber, R. 2, Elon College.....	127	6	6	3	3	130	15	197	20	6
*Tryon Erskine Mem.	C. A. Lincoln.....	Miss Susan Harper, Tryon.....	173	3	13	1	4	182	15	99	20	
*Union (N. C.).....	W. M. Stevens.....	W. H. Garrison, R. 2, Burlington.....	340	5	14	1	3	351	14	170	43	21
*Winston-Salem.....	C. E. Newman.....	R. A. Dunkley, Virgilina, Va.....	365	23	24	2	2	387	10	82	44	
	W. M. Jay.....	L. E. Correll, 2429 Maplewood Av.....	71	9	20	7	9	82	13	85	10	
Totals.....			8943	436	616	76	227	9332	533	7109	1095	421

*Woman's Missionary Society.

†Young People's Society.

‡Raised apportionment.

STATISTICAL TABLE NO. 1—FINANCE--EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

CHURCH.	Paid on Conference Fund.	Paid on Convention Fund.	Paid on Conference Missions.	Paid on Convention Home Missions.	Paid on Convention Foreign Missions.	Raised for Elton College.	Raised for Superrannation.	Raised for Christian Education.	Raised for Orphanage.	Total Paid on Apportionment.	Raised by Woman's Missionary Society.	Raised for Christian Missionary Ass'n.	Other Benevolences and Missions.	%	Total Benevolences and Missions.	%	Paid on Pastors' Salary.	Paid on Current Expense by Church and Auxiliaries.	Amount Paid on Indebtedness.	GRAND TOTAL.	Value of Church Property.	Indebtedness on Church Property.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	%	\$	\$						\$	\$		\$	\$	
Amelia.....	2	2	4	4	4	4	4	2	10	28					69		200	242		290	3,000	
Andoch.....	4	4	7	7	7	4	2	2	16	28					40		92	222		256	2,000	
Auburn.....	1	1	7	7	7	2			16	31					31		150	243		274	2,000	
Bethel.....	1	2	1	1	1				19	25					36		91	137		172	2,000	
Bethlehem.....																	3				1,000	
Beulah.....	2	4	4	4	8	10	4	2	10	44	11				61		100	542		598	2,000	
Catawba Springs.....										36							416	1,240	\$ 300	1,321	25,000	\$ 2,800
Chapel Hill.....					10	10			26	73	15				86		150	523		695	3,500	
Christian Light.....	3	3	13	13	14	18			25	63					73		73	150		206	3,000	
Christian Chapel.....	2	2			2		2		9	15					15		100	191		206	3,000	
Clayton.....	4	3	2	7	7	10	3	4	3	7					7		7	100		278	5,000	
Damascus.....	3	13	13	13				12	18	66					165		122	163		330	5,000	
Ebenezer.....	3	3	30	3				3	16	58					58		200	288		346	3,000	
Fuller's Chapel.....	4	3	3	3	24	7	7	3	32	106	17				147		150	205		322	4,000	
Good Hope.....	2	2	2	2	4	5	2	2	4	19					19		100	136		155	3,000	
Hayes Chapel.....	2	4	4	4	8				4	26					12		152	235		247	2,000	
Henderson.....	7	24	24	24	24	60	12	6	99	256	90				346		1,089	1,470		1,817	12,000	
Hope Mills.....																						
Lebanon.....					10				10	10					10		75	75		45	1,200	
Lee's Chapel.....	2							1		3					3		49	68		72	2,000	
Liberty.....	18	29	28	45	45	24	8	3	150	350	120				461		800	1,174		1,636	10,000	
Martha's Chapel.....	3	3	3	3	7				5	24					31		51	86		117	3,000	
Mebane.....																	100	97			4,500	
Morrisville.....	8		5	5	5	3			17	38					38		71	97		135	1,500	
Moore's Union.....	9	6	4	4					15	34					34		130	150		183	3,000	
Mt. Auburn.....	2	17	23	22	22	15	9	5	72	168	25				205		250	310		509	7,000	
Mt. Carmel.....	2		3	5	5			2	3	22					171		125	128		279	1,500	
Mt. Gilend.....			3	3	8			2	7	23					23		125	141		164	1,500	
Mt. Hernon.....	2	3	4		23	5	5	2	28	66					66		105	126		192	2,000	
New Elam.....		5	13	13	26				17	75					76		150	278		354	4,000	
New Hope.....	4	5	8	8	4		4		9	39					39		200	199		238	4,000	

Niagara.....	1	3	3	1	1	4	17	1	18	60	104	122	1,500
Oakland.....	1	1	2	3	1	20	54	..	64	150	218	281	5,000
Piney Plains.....	8	..	..	11	..	30	49	..	167	110	163	272	2,000
Pleasant Hill.....	..	..	..	..	..	16	27	..	28	90	132	160	1,500
Pleasant Union.....	14	..	11	37	..	41	117	..	95	300	509	599	6,200
Plymouth.....	5	..	5	..	..	40	55	..	56	100	625	680	4,000
Pope's Chapel.....	16	10	10	..	3	20	59	..	59	150	252	312	4,000
Raleigh.....	9	15	..	..	37	37	167	150	360	2,100	4,212	4,551	125,000
Sanford.....	6	6	2	6	5	61	111	75	188	501	1,426	1,614	7,500
Shallow Well.....	8	10	6	6	6	10	66	70	108	365	470	562	4,000
Six Forks.....	..	..	..	..	..	8	8	..	8	33	33	..	2,000
Southern Pines.....	6	21	21	10	5	10	154	77	360	1,800	4,604	4,924	49,000
Turner's Chapel.....	3	7	7	4	..	30	66	34	100	200	940	780	5,000
Wake Chapel.....	12	30	5	19	9	181	437	55	405	250	441	846	15,000
Wentworth.....	3	..	12	6	3	120	198	..	198	150	215	413	2,000
Youngsville.....	2	8	..	4	2	15	68	15	68	205	426	494	4,500
Totals.....	\$ 184	\$ 237	\$ 204	\$ 328	\$ 354	\$ 407	\$ 189	\$ 91	\$ 1,269	\$ 3,376	\$ 23,809	\$ 1,653	\$ 360,900
									\$ 4,599	\$ 12,010	\$ 23,809	\$ 26,961	\$ 36,320

STATISTICAL TABLE No. 2—MISCELLANEOUS—EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	CHURCH SECRETARY	S. S. SUPERINTENDENT.	Membership Last Year.	Received by Confession.	Total Number Received.	Lost by Death.	Lost.	Present Membership.	S. S. Officers and Teachers.	Sunday School Enrollment.	Christian Sun Goal.	Sun Subscribers
*Amelia.....	R. T. Grissom.	Mrs. B. Lee Penny, R. 2, Clayton.	W. T. Johnson, R. 2, Clayton.	98	1	3		13	88	13	100	6	2
Antioch.....	J. E. Neese.	H. L. Wall, Elams.	S. B. Spragins, Elams.	89	4	4	2	6	87	5	40	5	5
Auburn.....	R. T. Grissom.	Earlie Jones, R. 2, Raleigh.	Earlie Jones, R. 2, Raleigh.	106			1	4	102	14	76	6	
Bethel.....	J. Lee Johnson.	S. W. Hollomon, Holly Springs.	S. W. Hollomon, Holly Springs.	35	1	1			35			3	
Bethlehem.....	E. M. Powell.	W. R. Moore, R. 3, Littleton.	W. R. Moore, R. 3, Littleton.	66			1	8	56			3	1
*Beulah.....	E. M. Powell.	A. W. Watkins, R. 2, Wake Forest.	M. G. Pulley, R. 1, Youngsville.	184	19	26	1	1	209	8	175	8	
Catawba Springs.....	J. Lee Johnson.			224								14	
*Chapel Hill.....	W. J. McKee.	T. R. Rosemond, Chapel Hill.	T. A. Rosemond, Chapel Hill.	62			5	5	59	9	79	5	5
Christian Light.....	J. C. Cummings.	E. M. Blanchard, Fuquay Springs.	E. M. Blanchard, Fuquay Springs.	132	1	2		8	129	9	141	8	
Christian Chapel.....	G. M. Tally.	Royce B. Dickens, Corinth.	Royce B. Dickens, Corinth.	143	4	5	1	2	146	6	58	9	
Clayton.....	J. C. Cummings.	W. H. Duncan, 17 Moore St., Clayton.	H. Moore, Clayton.	62	4	5		41	30	9	79	4	
Damascus.....	J. E. Carter.	Miss Louise Crabree, R. 3, Chapel Hill.	Robt. Daniels, Chapel Hill.	92			1	1	91	10	40	4	4
*Ebenezer.....	J. E. A. Denton.	Mrs. Juanita Warren, R. 1, Cary.	Bruce Sanders, Morrisville.	221	6	7	1	8	220	13	80	10	
*Fuller's Chapel.....	E. M. Carter.	Miss Margaret Edwards, R. 4, Henderson.	W. S. Briggs, R. 4, Henderson.	114	2	2	1	1	115	7	40	11	10
Good Hope.....	E. M. Carter.	Miss Cora Perry, R. 1, Youngsville.	Z. T. May, Youngsville.	99	3	3			102	7	54	5	
Hayes Chapel.....	J. C. Cummings.	Lee Hatcher, Garner.	L. H. Walton, Garner.	61			1	9	53	11	65	4	
*Henderson.....	J. E. Neese.	C. D. Newman, Henderson.	John A. Hall, Henderson.	173	5	15		12	176	11	133	14	14
Hope Mills.....		Miss Mattie McArthur, Hope Mills.	Elmer Culbreth, Hope Mills.			30	30		30			5	3
Lebanon.....	R. T. Grissom.	Mrs. B. L. Mansfield, R. 2, Sanford.	E. L. Pattieshall, R. 2, Sanford.	25	9	9			34	8	40	2	
Lee's Chapel.....	R. T. Grissom.	Mrs. Jennie Gunter, R. 5, Sanford.	J. R. Underwood, RFD, Sanford.	56	1	1	1	3	54	10	32	3	
*Liberty.....	S. E. Madren.	Miss Margaret Alston, R. 1, Henderson.	M. L. Grissom, R. 1, Henderson.	406	14	20	3	8	423	12	224	28	
Martha's Chapel.....	E. M. Carter.	Miss Thelma Churchill, R. 3, Apex.	David Gardner, R. 3, Apex.	69			2		61	5	35	4	
Mebane.....	E. Hedgebeth.	J. O. Fowler, Mebane.		19					20				
Morrisville.....	J. S. Carden.	E. W. Clements, Morrisville.	E. W. Clements, Morrisville.	21	1	1	2	2	21	6	20	3	1
*Mt. Auburn.....	G. M. Tally.	Mrs. J. W. Lett, R. 2, Jonesboro.	W. G. Burnes, R. 2, Sanford.	98	1	2		2	98	7	70	6	
*Mt. Carmel.....	S. E. Madren.	J. L. Read, Norlina.	J. A. Kimball, Manson.	146	10	11	3	4	153	8	40	10	
Mt. Gilead.....	S. E. Madren.	Mrs. Eva Hicks, R. 3, Oxford.	R. N. Evans, R. 1, Franklinton.	112	3	7			119	12	401	6	
Mt. Hermon.....	J. S. Carden.	Mrs. R. R. Gupton, R. 2, Louisburg.	J. B. Hight, R. 2, Louisburg.	164	8	8			172	7	40	8	3
Mt. Lebanon.....	R. T. Grissom.	Miss Marie Munford, R. 1, Garner.	Guy Smith, RFD, Garner.	45			5		50	10	70	4	4
New Elam.....	R. T. Grissom.	Miss Valdo Goodwin, R. 2, New Hill.	G. F. Carr, R. 2, New Hill.	287	5	5	3	6	284	12	100	12	
*New Hope.....	S. E. Madren.	John Chamblee, R. 1, Louisburg.	A. L. Arnold, R. 1, Louisburg.	203	15	17		8	214	12	124	10	
*Niagara.....	J. L. Foster.	Leroy Snipes, Niagara.	A. W. Rodas, Niagara.	8			1	1	15			2	

*Oak Level.....	S. E. Madren.....	J. W. Hudson, Youngsville.....	J. W. Hudson, Youngsville.....	121	2	1	1	122	6	55	9
Piney Plain.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	Mrs. J. P. Stevens, R. 4, Raleigh.....	J. B. Stevens, R. 4, Raleigh.....	103	3	3	1	106	9	60	7
Pleasant Hill.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	D. O. Neighbors, Benson.....	Brooks Creech, Benson.....	85	...	...	1	84	7	30	5
Pleasant Union.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	Miss Elizabeth B. Long, Lillington.....	Billy Sexton, Lillington.....	120	3	4	2	115	8	80	7
Plymouth.....	R. T. Grissom.....	B. G. Partin, R. 3, Raleigh.....	W. B. Rowland, R. 3, Raleigh.....	115	9	12	...	127	7	125	6
**Pope's Chapel.....	S. E. Madren.....	H. G. Holmes, R. 1, Franklinton.....	C. C. Holmes, RFD, Youngsville.....	122	2	3	1	124	7	83	9
**Raleigh.....	A. P. Robinson, Jr.....	S. G. Lehman, 123 Brooke Av., Raleigh.....	Mrs. Robt. Schmidt, College Sta.....	273	1	10	12	271	19	184	6
**Sanford.....	A. C. Todd.....	Miss Stella A. Stout, Sanford.....	R. E. Tally, Sanford.....	201	8	13	2	207	15	206	14
**Shallow Well.....	A. C. Todd.....	L. J. Sloan, Jonesboro.....	Robert Watson, Sanford.....	205	...	2	6	199	10	175	14
Six Forks.....	J. L. Foster.....	Mrs. C. Perry, 325 W. Edenton, Raleigh.....	O. L. Broom, Southern Pines.....	23	...	...	...	23	...	...	2
*Southern Pines.....	V. O. Taylor.....	Miss Ruth Sanborn, Southern Pines.....	E. S. Wicker, R. 5, Sanford.....	190	5	24	6	203	20	140	8
*Turner's Chapel.....	R. T. Grissom.....	Mrs. R. L. Ross, R. 5, Sanford.....	R. G. Powell, Fuquay Springs.....	78	...	...	3	75	8	88	5
**Wake Chapel.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	H. W. Johnson, Fuquay Springs.....	R. H. Brown, R. 3, Raleigh.....	218	7	7	2	218	9	119	15
Wentworth.....	J. Lee Johnson.....	Mrs. G. M. Williams, R. 3, Raleigh.....	Mrs. E. M. Carter, Youngsville.....	103	4	4	1	106	9	77	7
*Youngsville.....	E. M. Carter.....	W. G. Scarborough, Youngsville.....	.....	45	2	3	4	44	7	54	2
Totals.....	.....	.....	.....	5622	162	290	53	218	390	3515	354
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5694	.....	.....	60

*Woman's Missionary Society.

†Young People's Society.

NAME OF CONFERENCE.

NAME OF CONFERENCE.	MEMBERSHIP REPORTED Last Year.														
	Received by Confession.	Total Number Received.	Number Lost by Death.	Total Number Lost.	Present Membership.	Paid on Conference Fund.	Paid on Convention Fund.	Missions.	Paid on Convention Home Missions.	Paid on Convention Foreign Missions.	Raised for Elton College.	Raised for Supernannuation.	Raised for Christian Education.	Raised for Elton Orphanage.	Total Amount Raised.
Eastern North Carolina.....	162	260	53	218	5,694	\$ 184	\$ 237	\$ 204	\$ 328	\$ 354	\$ 467	\$ 189	\$ 91	\$ 1,269	\$ 3,376
Eastern Virginia.....	338	643	116	369	10,223	405	1,529	1,293	1,484	1,902	2,725	715	359	3,514	13,397
North Carolina and Virginia.....	8,943	436	586	76	227	9,332	518	1,097	1,333	1,406	2,914	810	408	5,199	13,659
Virginia Valley Central.....	2,352	100	110	34	48	2,396	434	190	262	262	226	107	75	630	2,175
Western North Carolina.....	171	199	33	107	3,657	875	.....	.....	335	329	127	48	9	950	2,633
Totals.....	30,378	1,207	1,911	312	\$1,172	\$2,416	\$3,063	\$1,497	\$3,742	\$4,253	\$6,459	\$1,869	\$ 942	\$ 11,562	\$ 35,740

NAME OF CONFERENCE.

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Raised by Woman's Society.	Raised by Christian Miss'y Association.	Other Benevolences and Missions.	Total Benevolences and Missions.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Paid on Current Expenses by Church and Auxiliaries.	Amount Paid on Indebtedness.	GRAND TOTAL.	Value of Church Property.	Indebtedness on Church Property.	Sunday School Officers and Teachers.	Total Enrollment in Sunday School.	Number Subscribing for Christian Sun.
Eastern North Carolina	758		\$ 4,599	\$ 13,010	\$ 23,809	\$ 1,653	\$ 26,961	\$ 360,900	\$ 36,320	390	3,515	65
Eastern Virginia	4,539	1,461	20,973	34,715	99,243	21,399	116,813	1,174,550	94,574	680	6,607	549
North Carolina and Virginia	2,723	329	686	17,325	28,059	79,084	22,203	532,150	31,326	527	7,033	437
Virginia Valley Central	273	27	2,476	3,683	8,389		10,865	102,300		229	1,588	
Western North Carolina	212	251	3,139	5,190	11,725		14,375	73,535		333	3,273	49
Totals	\$8,505	\$1,349	\$2,398	\$48,512	\$84,657	\$222,200	\$45,255	\$2,243,435	\$162,220	2,159	22,016	11,100

*113 members received through 4 churches added to roll; 203 members dropped through 9 churches dropped from roll.

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